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County Swimming Pool Initiative Hits Councils

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

*"This is a wonderful idea, but
where will the money come
from?" (Reeve Dave Burton)*

This week the 'County Swimming Pool Initiative' formally started its introduction to each of Haliburton County's municipalities. This isn't a new idea by any means, and a lot of work has been done to propose an all season pool in the past, but there seems to be a new energy behind the project and a new committee with no small amount of enthusiasm to take a very popular proposal forward. But balancing the scales of enthusiasm is the number of questions that a project of this magnitude raises.

The Dysart et al Council was the first to review an introductory letter about the project by County Pool Initiative Committee Chair, Gay Bell. Bell detailed that a committee established itself in November of last year, from a group of residents who have been enjoying the use of a private pools in the County. But, because of a lack of available facilities, limited amenities and accessibility as well as increasing fees, the group decided to join together with a goal of creating a public indoor pool somewhere in the County.

According to Bell, the committee continues to gain support, representation and a number of stakeholders from within the County, including Point in Time, the Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District Health Unit and Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

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Airport Runway Delayed

*Stanhope Airport Expansion Opponents Claim
Victory with Further Delay of the Project*

By Jerry Grozelle

Opponents of the Stanhope Airport expansion are claiming a victory of sorts after the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency has stated that a second report will be delayed until late August.

Algonquin Highlands CAO Juanita Brewster said she received word Friday that because of the volume of correspondence regarding the Draft Screening Report that the CEAA will not be able to even look at the correspondence until after the August 1 long weekend.

"We received an update from Mr. Bunker's office this morning indicating that they have received considerable input from the public and that they need to review that input and due to work load and staff availability, the earliest opportunity they will have to start doing the review would be after the long weekend in August," Brewster said. "It's anticipated that their review will take until the end of August and then they will advise as to what the next step is."

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the Airport on... page 5*

When it was suggested that it looks as though construction on a new runway may not get started this year, Brewster speculated that it was a "strong possibility" that it may be delayed.

Regarding rehabilitation of the existing runway, she said: "That's certainly something we are going to have to get before council and get some direction on as to whether they want to do that or not."

Opponents of the project are confident the new runway project will at least be delayed and possibly even shelved.

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Councils give qualified support to Pool Initiative

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Bell wrote, "Our committee is a fair representation of the demographics of our county, with members that include young parents, working professionals, recently retired individuals and seniors. It is our goal to partner with the residents of Haliburton County, county and municipal council representatives and interested stakeholders to have an indoor swimming pool built."

Bell argued that the growth of the County is dependent on all populations and will also rely on the many residents who are here during the summer season but may choose to make Haliburton their permanent residence at some point in the future. "To keep and attract these people there is a need to continue developing services and amenities."

In her letter, she referred to a U-links survey that suggests that as many as 95 percent of area residents would like to have a pool, 92 percent of whom would be willing to bear a tax increase to maintain it.

Bell listed the benefits that a pool would bring to the County and its residents like ensuring the continued growth and stability of the County's population and economy, providing employment, decreasing travel expenses to other communities to use a pool and giving people one less reason to leave the County to shop. She also stressed the considerable physical and mental health benefits that a pool would provide to residents of all ages, that would help to decrease their dependence on a strained and costly medical system.

While some may suggest that with so many lakes in the area, there is no need for a pool, Bell makes the argument that for that very reason, a pool becomes essential to provide instruction in a safe year round environment.

According to Bell, the committee has been very active, gathering a mountain of information, some of which was collected by a previous pool committee. They also submitted an application for funding to Haliburton County Development Corporation in an effort to start preliminary engineering studies of potential suitable sites within the County. While the application was turned down, the Committee is still fuelled with determination and continues to work with other small communities that have been successful in establishing community pools in the recent past to prepare cost analyses for both building and maintaining a financially viable and sustainable pool right here in the County.

Bell advises that the committee plans to continue to promote awareness of their project over the coming months

in a variety of ways including public meetings. They also plan to explore partnering possibilities with other community organizations in an effort to share the costs of their initiative and to seek out funding opportunities at all levels.

At this point in time, Bell says that the Committee is only seeking support in principal from the County and municipalities in the hopes that all stakeholders can move forward in a unified fashion. And while there are a number of questions arising from the Committee's introduction to a new pool project, support in principal was definitely, albeit cautiously, forthcoming from Dysart et al.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said that he had had some dialogue about the project and that he could only support some form of motherhood approval given the lack of detail. "No one is against the project," he said, "but there are issues surrounding where it should be located and who will pay for the pool, both for its construction and its operation."

Councillor Andrea Roberts said she would like to see the survey that was referred to as a matter of interest.

Fearrey commented that he felt a project of this magnitude would require buy-in by all four municipalities. "We're all open to the suggestion, but infrastructure funding would be required and it may become a matter of priorities, a balance against other municipal requirements. We need to see a business plan."

Fearrey also commented that a large percentage of the taxes paid in the County are by those who would not use the facility. Bell however, makes the case that such a facility would help to attract cottagers as permanent residents when they retire.

To Fearrey, approaching the Board of Education seemed one logical solution, but he said this could also be problematic as they have announced the closure of a number of its facilities. He commented that in the interim, the new management at the Pinestone would be more receptive to use of their pool. This, however, was also addressed to some extent in Bells letter in her comments about the increasing cost of hotel owned facilities like the Pinestone or the Best Western in Bancroft.

Deputy Reeve Bill Davis suggested that in order to be successful it would have to be a unanimous decision by all four municipalities. David agreed with Fearrey that there

would have to be a plan on how to raise the money.

Councillor Janis Parker suggested offering the Council's support in principal. Given funding programs for green initiatives, Parker also suggested looking into funding for a geo thermal heating system for the pool. "It would be less expensive to operate and could be a showcase for other municipalities."

The Council passed a resolution unanimously supporting the project in principal, subject to receipt of a business plan, location and capital and operating budget.

During their discussion, Roberts said that the facility would have to be centrally located. Commenting that Cardiff already has a seasonal pool, she asked, "Why would Highlands East support it?"

Interestingly enough, the very next day, the Highlands East Council asked itself the same question when presented with Bell's letter of introduction.

Deputy Reeve Jim Mackie's first question was, "Where is it going to be built?"

Reeve Dave Burton said the location hadn't been determined, and he felt the introduction might be a bit premature without any form of business plan. He said, "We have a pool. Granted, it's not year round, but it's the only one in the County at the moment."

Burton said, "This is a wonderful idea, but we have no idea where the money is coming from."

CAO Sharon Stoughton-Craig commented that it would be wonderful for seniors, who would likely use the facility the most. In response to comments from several members of Council that many of the seniors in the area use the pool at the Best Western and the Pinestone, Mackie voiced a concern about the burden of liability that is being placed on privately owned pools. "They will become a lot harder for the public to use because of this."

Members of the Highlands East Council agreed that before they could consider the project further, they too would need more information and a business plan.

Bottom line? Everyone loves the idea, but a lot of work is yet to be done. Bell welcomed further communication, and there is no doubt that will be offered in spades before any true agreement is reached on where a county-wide initiative like a pool will be located and how it will be paid for. ■

"To keep and attract seasonal residents there is a need to continue developing services and amenities." (Gay Bell)

Golfers Support the Arts

About 90 golfers teed up to raise money for the arts in the Highlands on Friday, June 25 at the Pinestone Resort & Conference Centre.

Through their efforts and the support provided by many sponsors, a new student at Fleming College's Haliburton campus will receive a paid year of tuition (value of \$3,200), and \$9,000 will go to the Arts Council and the Artists in the Schools program.

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From left to right, one of the winning teams: Janice Bishop, J.D. Bishop, Dave Webb, and Derek Rodley.

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SUNDAY



Sunny to partly cloudy and pleasant
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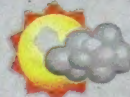
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WEDNESDAY



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▲ 29° ▼ 18°

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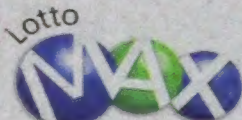


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Antigua	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	31/26/su	Nassau	32/26/ts	32/26/ts	31/28/sh
Barbados	31/26/ts	30/26/ts	31/27/ra	Port au Prince	34/25/ts	37/27/ts	33/26/cl
Bermuda	29/23/su	29/23/su	31/24/sh	Puerto Vallarta	31/25/ts	30/25/ts	30/26/ts
Cancun	30/25/ts	31/25/ts	31/25/ts	St Thomas	32/28/ts	32/27/ts	32/27/ra
Curacao	32/26/ts	31/27/ts	31/28/ts	St Maarten	32/27/ts	31/26/ts	30/26/ts
Freeport	32/25/ts	32/26/ts	33/28/su	San Jose, CR	26/21/ts	26/21/ts	27/21/ra
Georgetown	31/24/ts	31/24/ts	30/23/ts	San Juan	33/26/ts	32/26/ts	32/26/ra
Havana	32/23/ts	32/24/ts	34/24/su	San Salvador	29/20/ts	29/21/ts	30/22/su
Key West	32/26/ts	32/27/ts	32/28/ts	Santo Domingo	31/23/ts	32/24/ts	33/26/su
Kingston	31/26/ts	30/26/ts	32/27/su	Trinidad	31/25/ts	32/26/ts	31/27/ra

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otk
Bancroft	31/20/pc	28/19/ts	26/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Barrie	32/20/pc	29/19/ts	27/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Dorset	31/19/pc	28/18/ts	26/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Haliburton	31/20/pc	29/19/ts	26/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Huntsville	31/19/pc	28/18/ts	26/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Kingston	32/21/pc	29/19/ts	27/18/pc	28/18/pc	29/18/ts	28/18/pc	29/19/pc
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Oshawa	32/21/pc	30/19/ts	28/18/pc	28/19/pc	29/19/ts	28/19/pc	29/19/pc
Ottawa	31/20/pc	29/19/ts	27/17/pc	27/18/pc	28/18/ts	27/17/pc	29/18/pc
Toronto	32/22/pc	30/20/ts	28/18/pc	28/19/pc	29/19/ts	28/19/pc	29/19/pc

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today Hi/Lo/Otk	Friday Hi/Lo/Otk	Saturday Hi/Lo/Otk	Sunday Hi/Lo/Otk	Monday Hi/Lo/Otk	Tuesday Hi/Lo/Otk	Wednesday Hi/Lo/Otk
Calgary	28/12/su	27/13/su	20/18/pc	23/16/pc	26/16/ts	25/16/ts	25/15/ts
Edmonton	24/12/ts	22/10/ts	24/9/pc	26/11/pc	24/11/pc	24/11/ts	23/11/ts
Fredericton	28/18/su	29/19/ts	27/14/pc	27/14/pc	27/14/su	27/16/ts	27/17/ts
Halifax	27/16/su	26/17/su	22/12/ts	21/11/ts	21/11/ts	21/13/ts	22/14/ts
Montreal	31/21/pc	30/20/ts	27/18/pc	27/18/pc	27/18/ts	27/18/pc	27/18/pc
Regina	28/13/pc	29/14/pc	28/17/ts	28/17/pc	28/17/pc	28/17/ts	27/17/ts
St. John's	31/23/su	31/11/su	21/11/ts	19/10/pc	20/10/pc	20/11/ts	19/9/ts
Saskatoon	27/14/pc	25/12/ts	27/13/ts	27/13/pc	28/13/pc	27/13/ts	27/13/ts
Vancouver	23/12/su	21/13/su	23/13/pc	24/14/su	24/14/su	23/13/sh	24/13/sh
Whitehorse	18/10/cl	16/8/cl	16/8/pc	17/9/pc	16/7/pc	16/6/sh	16/6/cl
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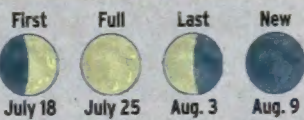
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SUN & MOON

	Sunrise/set	Moonrise/set
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Fri. 7/16	5:42 a.m./8:57 p.m.	11:53 a.m./11:22 p.m.
Sat. 7/17	5:43 a.m./8:57 p.m.	1:09 p.m./11:48 p.m.
Sun. 7/18	5:44 a.m./8:56 p.m.	2:23 p.m./none
Mon. 7/19	5:45 a.m./8:55 p.m.	3:35 p.m./12:18 a.m.
Tues. 7/20	5:46 a.m./8:54 p.m.	4:44 p.m./12:52 a.m.
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Letter of the Week

Dear Editor,

RE: Arlene Johnston's letter in last weeks County Voice.

As a cottager and summer local, I think it's absolutely ridiculous to ban the use of fireworks in Haliburton.

I've been cottaging here for over 15 years, and my family has been here for over 40. Fireworks were always what made holiday weekends more special. In all our years up here we have never heard of there being a forest fire from firework usage. Most people who enjoy the fireworks up here are aware of the risks and take proper precautions when setting them off. In our area we all set them off on the beach, angled towards the lake, while buried in sand. How is this negligent?

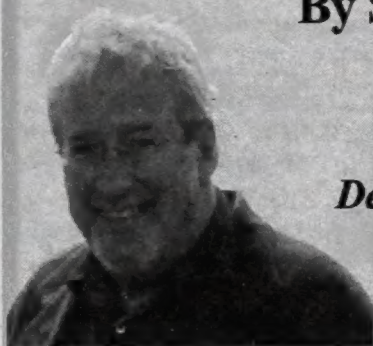
It seems that you are more concerned about your lack of sleep from the noise rather than potential fires. If noise is the issue, there is a noise ban on after 11pm, at which this time you are free to contact the police and issue a noise complaint.

Banning fireworks in this area would surely cause an uproar and is completely impossible. If there is a fire ban on, then I agree that firework usage should be banned as well, as a precaution, but if you're going to ban fireworks all together, why not ban campfires too? Forest fires can be just as easily started by a simple camp fire then a controlled fireworks show. Like I said, if you are kept up till all hours of the morning by your neighbours setting off fireworks, call the police, don't ruin cottage country for the rest of us.

Courtney Anne - Cottager. ■

Editorial VIEWPOINT

By Stephen Patrick



Cottage Associations, Demographics, and the Future

Cottage - or Property Owners - Associations AGMs have been taking place on most weekends across the County since the 24th of May. These associations were first established mostly in the 1960s - not coincidentally at the time when local

street and neighbourhood groups were being set up in the major cities. In the city the community groups were rooted in a kind of urban activism spurred on by the threat of unrestricted high rise and highway development. In cottage country their purpose was generally two-fold: to preserve and enhance the sense of community that was beginning to develop among cottagers by organizing social events like regattas and weenie roasts; and to begin to develop strategies to preserve the lake environment. These strategies would, some 50 years later, evolve into elaborate lake plans, some political activism, and certainly a deeply felt commitment to the preservation not just of the lake environment, but of all the forests and lakes that make up the entire Haliburton community.

For example last year, amid the threat of the renewal of mining in eastern Haliburton, cottage associations all over the County passed resolutions calling for a mining moratorium. And now the development of the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations is proceeding apace. What influence the CHA will eventually have, politically and socially, remains to be seen. At the moment CHA is proceeding very very carefully as it decides just how it wishes to evolve. The dread word "politics" is shunned like the plague, perhaps for good reason. The Redstone Lake Cottagers Association Board is divided on whether or not it will even join, despite the presence of the overwhelming majority of County associations. Long term, all of these associations will have major concerns regarding their numbers, demographics, and purpose. Almost all members that attend the meetings seem to be at least 45 years old (and I'm being kind) with a significant history on their lake. Everybody looks sort of like my parents might have if some time machine have zoomed them forward from 1955 (with some hair style and fashion changes - the idea of my father wearing a T shirt that said MAC U is beyond my imagination).

So the associations have to find a way to connect with the next generation and with their children in turn. Perhaps as well it should be noted that the associations are in a way victims of their own success: their political activism on behalf of sane development and environmental restrictions have removed some of the reasons for their early existence. But make no mistake: these organizations are potent political animals with huge potential for change. To see them return to the salad days of regattas and weenies would be a step backwards for all interests in Haliburton County.

Four Footed Families

Some 21 years ago we were co-conspirators in the adoption of "The Scourge of Donald", a very young "wild" and possibly feral cat that had been abandoned in the bush. This pathetic bedraggled grey and white tabby had terrorized the local cat (and rodent) population all through one long, very cold winter. When finally trapped, we were persuaded to take custody of the miscreant. In short order he ruled our entire menagerie of dog, cats, and to no small extent, humans.

Scamper was the most extraordinary cat we've ever owned. A fearless hunter, deeply intelligent, affectionate and loyal to family, immediate and extended, but intensely wary of strangers. He roamed at will through that strange, uncharted space in our existence that some pets claim for themselves, and which somehow we can't explain. He died at home this week, swiftly, quietly, journey done. What's left is to ponder the deep hold these animals have on us humans, and how we negotiate our relationship with them. Farewell brave boy: as one family admirer said, no one who knew you will ever forget you. ■



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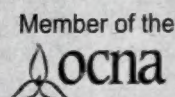
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Dear Editor: Airport Controversy Continues to Stir Readers' Wrath

Dear Editor:

"How can we claim to export democracy to a foreign land when we can't even get it right at home?"

My great-grandparents farmed land at the west end of Maple Lake by St. Peter's Church, my grandparents at the end of Dawson Road a mile north of the lake, I've lived here all of my adult life. Visiting Milt and Berta's farm as a boy, I remember partridge hunting with my father Harry Davis. We would stop for a 2 minute silence at 11 AM sharp on those long ago Remembrance Days, father and son standing still amid the quiet of some pungent balsam swamp. Dad had served as a wireless operator on Canso amphibian flying U-boat patrols off Canada's east coast. Four 24 hour flights a week, 2 crews, 12 hours on, 12 hours off, for four years. The main focus of our remembrance though was my uncle Richard Dawson, my mother's brother, killed in France July 25th 1944. He is remembered along with a number of local men on the small plaque in St. Peter's church. Names such as Cowan, Redner, Harrison...

I want to tell you about my sense on the lingering loss and grief felt as a young boy, 12 to 15 years on from Richard's death. We catch these fleeting images in the media of the latest casualties from Afghanistan, maybe even a photo of mourning family and friends. Then life moves on and we relegate that bit of reality to some back burner in our mind—until the next casualty makes the news. Under my father's guidance, I became aware of that background ache that underlay the quiet of my grandparents' farmhouse on those bygone Remembrance Days. These most recent grieving families will also have to deal with loss over the long haul in a drama wearily repetitious.

These old memories resurfaced recently when I received some research from my cousin, Peter Dawson, about what had happened to Uncle Richard. As the allies pushed into France after D-Day, they encountered furious resistance. Richard's regiment, the Black Watch, were ordered to take Verrieres Ridge, a massively defended position near Caen. Raked by gunfire, only 15 of the 300 soldiers survived the assault. The entire operation produced over 1500 casualties of whom about 450 perished. It was Canada's bloodiest day of the war except for Dieppe.

From old photos and family stories, I have an impression of Richard the young man living a rustic, very localized life on a small family farm in rural Canada. It's hard to reconcile this with the newly enlisted soldier, transported so far away, preparing for the invasion in England, then thrust into the theatre of war and the slaughter at Verrieres. He was 22 years old. It seems so otherworldly, I can hardly get my head around such a progression in a young life, swept up in the larger chaos of history.

We struggle to find meaning in such horrendous sacrifice and find what comfort we may in those values enshrined in the institutions and laws of our country such as free speech, human rights and democratic and responsible governance. To that end maybe our municipal politicians should take a beefed up oath of office upon election reflecting these larger values along with the ethics of business on the municipal level, a sort of citizens guarantee of democratic principles at the local level including but beyond just business.

I would love to hear Algonquin Highlands' Council square their performance around the airport expansion proposal with their constituents in light of such a sworn oath of office. Our reeve's reversal of intentions stated pre-election to the dogged personal agenda she has pursued in office with an absolutely singular focus has left many of us angered and puzzled. That she and her supporters have declined to stand before the voters this fall seems cynical and cowardly. We have been hijacked and disenfranchised by an authoritarian reeve wielding her position of power without the checks and balances of a strong council, indifferent to the concerns of her constituents and with no intention of being held accountable at the polls.

I'll bet many new Canadians escaping authoritarian homelands would be dismayed to see that the values they sought so earnestly in this promised land should be so trivialized by natives taking so much for granted.

I would also like to hear this council square their performance in light of our new 'democracy' oath of office with the families of our own 150 soldiers killed in Afghanistan. How can we claim to export democracy to a foreign land when we can't even get it right at home? Surely at the level of local government, the lines of communication are as immediate and direct as you could ask for. All for naught if no one is listening.

As a member of a family that did lose a loved one, albeit 66 years ago this July 25th, I feel that rolling over and playing dead in the face of this runaway council would be like turning my back on Richard and denying the essence of his sacrifice. We still have free speech. We can recover democratic representation.

One final point: the airport and the citizens of Algonquin Highlands have coexisted harmoniously for many years, though our tax base is relatively small and many of us make no use of the facility. We accept that upgrades to the existing infrastructure will be required. Shove this expansion down our throats and then hold a gun to our heads and say, "Now pay for it", could amount to the squandering of this good will with repercussions down the line.

In an age of low voter turnout, especially among the young, and cynicism about our political process, to deny our responsibilities in maintaining democracy it seems to me, is to deliver a body blow to the values our veterans sacrificed for then just as our soldiers do now. I am prepared to go forward on the airport issue, freely and fully debated during our next soon to be held election, according to the informed opinion of the voters. I expect our politicians to do the same.

Maybe an oath of office reflecting democratic values should be repeated before every council meeting as a gentle reminder. And maybe Remembrance Day needs to be held oftener than once a year. So that "lest we forget" doesn't become "when we forget".

Bob Davis, Maple Lake, July 2010. ■

Dear Editor:

Re: Stanhope Airport Project

As a taxpayer in Algonquin Highlands, I cannot see how anyone can justify spending millions of dollars for a runway that in my opinion, based upon what I have learned attending many meetings, will hardly be used. The cost of the runway is just the tip of the iceberg. The Township will be paying for maintenance, insurance, and operating fees as long as the airport is there. And, since every small airport in Ontario including Stanhope airport runs a deficit, why even consider expanding an existing airport that loses money? Upgrade the existing runway, to increase its safety as much as possible.

The Funding Agency should think long and hard before advancing the money to Council. The Council does not own all the lands that will be required to operate the runway. I would not like to see millions of dollars invested in a new runway that cannot even be used, due to the failure of Council to ensure that all necessary tree toppings, etc. can be met. The township has under-budgeted for this project. They are way over budget already. Part of the problem with this project is that council never made a proper business plan. They never really figured out the costs that they would face. They may have addressed what is needed to be done to construct this new runway, but not the hidden costs that are associated with it. The council budgeted about \$425,000 to acquire all necessary properties and access agreements. The actual cost, so far, is at least triple that, \$1.3 million dollars, with much more to be settled. There has been no cost estimate that I know of, from the council for what this will cost.

The council hasn't even included the costs to redo the terminal building, further paving that is required, electrical upgrades, legal costs. The council is prepared to pay for new hangars – why should the tax payers or government pay for hangars that are used by pilots? This cost should be incurred by the pilots themselves!

Please do not allow the funding to be turned over to council. Let the council do their 'homework' and determine what the actual or true costs of the project will be from start to finish for this project and then reconsider whether it is a sound business decision to go ahead with the construction of the new runway. This runway is the single largest project undertaken by A.H., it will have a huge impact on the taxpayers over the coming years, so it should take the appropriate time and consideration to determine the costs and to listen and respond to the public concerns with FACTS. There is no rush to start the construction; the funding is available until Spring 2016.

Regarding my comments about additional and unknown costs associated with the new runway. I would like to insist that once council has prepared a cost estimate of all costs associated with the building of the new runway and hopefully Council will be responsible enough to take the time to do this, then this information should be shared with the public.

If the construction is delayed, I would like to suggest that a referendum be held to determine how many inhabitants both permanent and seasonal of the Township of Algonquin Highlands are in favour of the construction of the new runway and how many Algonquin Highlanders are not in favour of the construction of the new runway. The upgrade of the present runway is needed and need not be part of the referendum.

Marie Gulas
Stanhope. ■

Dear Editor:

Even More Time to (Re) Consider Airport Expansion:

At the last minute (again) of the recently extended Public Comment Period for the Stanhope Airport Expansion Project this past Friday, word spilled out that the next part of the Screening – possibly a second DRAFT or a final report – will be somewhat further away than the project's few supporters were hoping. A flood of objections and comments on the Draft Screening Report raising legitimate questions about points not addressed, make it all but certain that the construction of the proposed second runway will not proceed until after the upcoming elections, if at all.

This is a major victory for the people of Algonquin Highlands against a project that has been moving ahead in the virtual darkness of a number of Councils since a time when Gerald Bain was the CAO.

Over the last couple of years the people of Ontario's second poorest Township have been learning more and more about this utterly un-needed and unjustified project, and as they did, their opposition has broadened and deepened.

Beyond the volume of comments and their legitimacy, Infrastructure Canada – which is tasked with producing the Screening and managing the process – has failed to follow guidelines set out by the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency especially with respect to transparency. The MBC Association and others have followed the procedures to obtain copies of the Draft Screening Report from the designated contacts without receiving any response or the document. Requests for other information that should be publically available have also been ignored. Obviously, if people can't get information and documents they cannot comment.

The CEAA will be looking into this grave fault, which may result in even further delays.

Many people have been forwarding their comments to our MP and MPP in the hope that they could get some kind of assistance, especially to make sure that funding for the project is withheld until many urgent issues have been dealt with by the Township. Almost uniformly, responses from MP Barry Devolin and MPP Rick Johnson have been stock replies stating that they can do nothing and suggesting that we talk to the Reeve and Council... as if that had not occurred to any of us!

The fact is that these people we elected not only have the right and power to intervene, but they have an obligation to do so. The Federal and Provincial governments are to provide two thirds of the funds for the project and our representatives are elected to assure that our money is not wasted and that our rights are respected.

So far, Mr. Devolin has had no problem intervening on behalf of the council. He has been an un-questioning supporter of the Expansion from the beginning and has more than once gone to bat for the Reeve to smooth the path of this project. Mr. Devolin must be made to realize that he works for the people rather than a bare majority of a single council.

Rick Johnson, even more shockingly, is the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and seems not to know that this Ministry is in complete control of the funds on the part of the Province. Throughout the funding agreement in place for this project, it is OMAFRA which is tasked with assuring that important conditions are met before funds flow.

We firmly believe that the Township has not met these conditions – including settling issues of control and compensation for private properties required for the new runway to be operated – and has used misleading information in their application for funding. Although the three other municipalities in our county have publically withheld support for this project and the County itself has ceased to contribute to the ongoing costs of even the existing airport, Algonquin Highlands claimed "...The project has broad support in the community and/or region..."

Our MP and MPP must push for a review of the funding decision and a hold on funds until all issues are settled.

Successive Councils and CAOs, going back more than twenty years from Gerald Bain through Lorne Mitchell, have been pushing and spending without real public consultation and without concern for rate-payers rights.

It is hard to imagine that a candidate with a history of supporting this project un-critically will have much of a chance in October. We may be getting a chance to vote on this issue whether the Reeve likes it or not.

Andy Muirhead
Stanhope ■

Dear Editor: cont'd

Dear Editor:

"It appears to this cynic that the corporate interest trumps the public interest at Queens Park."

I am a Canadian, an Ontarian, a taxpayer and a voter.

I am also absolutely fed up with being treated by my(?) Government as an imbecile. This latest ECO-NON-TAX is a case in point. I am NOT opposed to pay to maintain a clean environment. I am NOT opposed to pay my fair share of taxes.

What I am opposed to, is the arrogant, deceitful and double-dealing manner in which these new charges are being imposed on consumers.

I did a little research. In 2002 the people's elected representatives at Queens Park passed the "Waste Diversion Act, 2002. which purpose was,

1. "The purpose of this Act is to promote the reduction, reuse and recycling of waste and for the development, implementation and operation of waste diversion programs."

The means by which this purpose is to be accomplished, is the creation of a Crown Corporation to be known as Waste Diversion Ontario. The Board of Directors will have 12 members from industry, retail and municipalities. The Act also provides for four non-voting observers at the discretion of the Board of Directors. THERE IS NO REPRESENTATION FROM CONSUMERS, who happen to be the ones to pay the bills. Waste Diversion Ontario is an umbrella corporation and as such is mandated to develop, implement and operate waste diversion programs for designated wastes. Ontario Tire Stewardship (OTS) is one of these programs developed and implemented on September 1, 2009. Under the Act, the Board of Directors of Waste Diversion Ontario has to set up an industry funding organization. Section 5 (d), the Responsibilities section states: Waste Diversion Ontario shall determine the amount of money required by Waste Diversion Ontario and the industry funding organization to carry out their responsibilities under this Act.

The result of this legislation is that the provincial politicians have abdicated responsibility for waste management. They have actually empowered an un-elected board of directors to set fees that consumers are compelled to pay as a line item BEFORE the HST is calculated. The government spin doctors are using accounting acrobatics of Olympic proportions to convince the great unwashed that the ECO-tax is paid by industry.

As an example I would like to look at the eco-fee charged for tires. OTS calls it the Tire Stewardship Fee. For passenger and light truck tires the fee is \$5.84, plus HST. In Ontario no tire can be sold without this charge. If this amount had been determined by government, any taxpayer could get a breakdown of how this amount was arrived at under Freedom of Information legislation. Since it is set by the OTS Board of Directors, the breakdown information is not available to the public, because Waste Diversion Ontario and its Ontario Tire Stewardship and other subsidiaries are not subject to the Freedom of Information Act. What we have in fact, is taxation without representation.

As mentioned at the outset, I have no problem paying my share of taxes and my fair share to protect our environment, but I deeply resent my elected representatives abdicating their powers of taxation to un-elected boards of directors who cannot be held responsible and/or accountable.

It appears to this cynic, that the corporate interest trumps the public interest at Queens Park.

Sincerely
Karl Braeker
Norland, ON

Airport Delayed ...from page 1

"To me it seems obvious the new runway will not proceed until after an election has been held in Algonquin Highlands," said Maple, Beech, Cameron Lakes Property Owners' Association President Paul MacInnes. "I see this as a great victory for the people of Algonquin Highlands. During that public comment period, people all over Algonquin Highlands, not just from the Maple, Beech, Cameron Association sent an overwhelming flood of e-mails to the environmental assessment people and they raised a number of very legitimate issues that had not been addressed by the preliminary screening. Algonquin Highlands council has been working on this project and trying to keep the public in the dark all the way back to the time that Gerald Bain was the CAO. Over the last two years the people of this township have become more and more knowledgeable about this runway project and as their knowledge has increased, so has their opposition."

He said the project is not needed and is not justified.

"As far as the environmental assessment process, it really needs to be noted that the government agency responsible for carrying out this assessment has not lived up to the proper procedures as laid out in the Environmental Assessment Act," MacInnes said. "Members of the Maple, Beech, Cameron Association and members of the public asked for documentation to be provided. The documents requested were not sent and in fact many taxpayers didn't even get an acknowledgement of their request. How can people comment on documents during the public comment period when the documents are not sent to them?"

"Increasingly, people are demanding MP Barry Devolin and MPP Rick Johnson live up to their responsibility that they have for this project. People were pretty frustrated because they sent e-mails to Mr. Devolin and Mr. Johnson and they got stock replies telling them that their MP and MPP could do nothing and asking the public to talk to the reeve and the council. In fact the MP and the MPP not only have the power to do something, they have an obligation. Two-thirds of the money comes from these levels of government. We elect these representatives to oversee the spending of that money.

"We believe the township has not lived up to the terms of the funding agreement and our MP and MPP need to step in and stop the funds from flowing until all the terms of the funding agreement have been met.

"Barry Devolin has supported this project from the very beginning and one-third of the money is coming from Mr. Devolin's government. In Rick Johnson's case, the money is coming from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs and Mr. Johnson is the Parliamentary Secretary to this minister."

MacInnes is concerned that the municipality hasn't done its homework regarding the potential costs of the expansion. "The township does not have control over all the lands they need for running the proposed runway," he said. And, as such, Mr. Devolin and Mr. Johnson should tell Building Canada not to provide funds to the township until all the necessary steps are taken and the public knows all the costs.

"The public opposition to this project is now pervasive throughout the county. During the public period over 200 e-mails were sent in from all over Algonquin Highlands.

MacInnes emphasized that no other municipality in Haliburton County has supported the expansion project. "Three of the four municipalities passed resolutions against this project and the county no longer helps pay for the operating losses of the existing airport. They used to pay \$10,000 a year toward the operating losses."

MacInnes speculated that any candidate who has supported this project will not get very many votes in the next election. "People just don't want to see their money spent on this. They don't see the sense in it," he said.

MacInnes says he is not against the operation of the current airport facility, in fact he believes the municipality should get on with the renovations to the existing runway. "Now what they need to do is quickly start the rehabilitation of the existing runway," he said. "That's what I'd like to see them do. That runway has been identified as desperately needing some maintenance and they should get in there and repave that.

"It's a dandy little airport and I've had a number of pilots call me over the last week or so, none of whom support the new runway. What a number of the pilots are concerned about is they see in a number of other areas of the province, airports have spent a ton of money building new runways or expanding the airport and then the airport becomes so expensive to operate that they're now in danger of closing. That would be a real shame with this little airport."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison said she would like to reserve comment until after this week's council meeting. She said the municipality will have to go into a "holding pattern" until after the Environmental Assessment Agency reviews the comments and issues its advisory. She admitted that the rehabilitation of the existing runway may have to be done before any directive to go ahead with the new runway project is forthcoming. ■

CEAA won't even look at public comments until after August long weekend



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Dysart et al Municipal Summary

Liz Danielsen
Staff Reporter

New Fire Truck on Order

Council has approved the purchase of a new tanker/pumper truck for the Dysart Fire Department at a total cost of \$217,637. The truck is expected to be delivered sometime in December or early January of 2011.

During his report to Council, Fire Chief Miles Maughan reviewed five bids that had been received on fire trucks but when asked by Reeve Murray Fearrey if he was ready to make a recommendation, Maughan advised that he still had several questions for the low bidder (Asphodel Fire Trucks). He returned to the meeting after speaking with the supplier and advised that it would only take 150 days from the date of order to delivery.

While the quick turnaround might normally be good news, the municipality had anticipated a longer delivery period and had therefore only budgeted funding for the cab and chassis, with the rest of the truck being assembled and paid for in 2011. When Maughan suggested that he would prefer to order the truck in its entirety if funding was approved, CAO Tammy McKelvey advised that the entire amount could be authorized out of reserves. As an alternative, it was suggested that the supplier could be asked to hold the truck for delivery in January given that there would only be a difference of several weeks.

Council readily authorized the full acquisition.

Maughan also reported that the total number of calls for service had once again reached normal levels for this time of year. He added that with the seven fires experienced over the weekend, the numbers will be considerably higher next month.

Construction Numbers Point to an Improved Economy

This month Dysart's building permit report indicated a total construction value to date for 2010 of just over \$15 million dollars, a level of building activity that has not been experienced for several years. The total value of permits issued since April has increased steadily since March and reached an overall value of \$4.487 million for the month of June.

Councillor Derek Knowles commented that he was pleased to see that the construction was not concentrated in any one particular area of the municipality, but was spread out. So far this year, building permits have been issued for 14 major residential projects, 26 smaller residential projects and two commercial developments.

Reeve Murray Fearrey commented that this was an extremely positive sign given the state of the overall economy.

Council to Participate in Multi-Municipal Waste Recycling Strategy

The Dysart Council has agreed to participate in a Multi-Municipal Waste Recycling Strategy. By agreeing to take part in this program with the three other municipalities in the County, the Council will be eligible for 90 percent of the total cost of the funding for the project through the Province's Continuous Improvement Fund, rather than the 50 percent funding that they would qualify for should the municipality choose to proceed on its own.

CAO Tammy McKelvey advised Council that an additional option was available to the municipality which was to band together once again with the other municipalities to have a detailed communications plan completed through the MWRS program. Prepared by Cambium Environmental, the communications plan that is anticipated will develop a common element plan for communications to ratepayers and promotion material associated with waste management and recycling initiatives. Fifty percent of the communications plan will be funded by the province.

McKelvey advised Council that the other municipalities have indicated a similar interest in proceeding not only with the waste recycling strategy, but the communications plan as well. McKelvey also commented that while it was not a condition and had yet to be decided, they would likely offer act as the lead municipality.

Council Contributes to Ontario Good Roads Association Litigation Fund

While municipalities continually face the prospect of legal action stemming from injuries suffered on municipal roads, by adopting and following Minimum Maintenance Standards as established by the OGRA, the risk has been kept at a minimum. Repeated claims against road authorities for injury and damage from alleged inadequate maintenance, signage, sanding and plowing continue unabated and according to correspondence from the OGRA a recent application to the Superior Court has been made to declare the MMS null and void.

Because this will have serious implications to all municipalities, the OGRA are trying to establish a war chest or 'MMS Litigation Fund' to oppose the application on behalf of its members. The contribution that was suggested by the OGRA was 10 cents per capita with a maximum contribution capped (for larger municipalities) at \$50,000 and the minimum contribution at \$1,000.

Reeve Murray Fearrey said, "This is a scary item." And no one could argue his comment when considering the risk and associated cost of any number of bogus claims that can be made against municipalities, at the ultimate cost of their rate payers.

CAO Tammy McKelvey commented that to date MMS has been a good defence for municipalities and Deputy Reeve Davis suggested that he could support the request as all municipalities face the same risk. Although Dysart recently turned down a request from the City of Kawartha Lakes to assist in a similar situation that they are facing to pay for environmental damage to privately owned property, Davis said, "I can support the OGRA as an association before I could offer support to a single municipality."

Fearrey commented that a \$1,000 contribution might be the cheapest amount of money spent in the long run and Council agreed. ■



Police Reports

OPP RESPOND TO BOATING COLLISION
Small Boat Collides with Float Plane

(HALIBURTON, ON) — Haliburton Highlands OPP responded to a boating collision on July 11, 2010 at 5:40pm. The collision occurred on Salerno Lake in The Municipality of Highlands East.

The float plane was attempting to take off from the lake, when it collided with a small boat. The four occupants of the float plane were not injured. Two occupants of the boat were taken to Haliburton Hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The investigation is continuing. ■

Jake Differ Entertains the Kids at Stanhope



On July 10th at the Stanhope Branch of the Haliburton County Public Library, Jake Differ an award winning children's entertainer performed a concert. For those who missed it, he will be performing again at the Wilberforce Agricultural Fair on August 7th. Both concerts are sponsored by the Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library. ■

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Praising Nature with Each Brushstroke

By Mark Arike

John Lennard's Brilliant Oil Work Highlights the Highlands

The Highlands is full of plenty of lakes, rocks and trees. Their magnificence is a big reason why so many artists choose to work in the area and create pieces that highlight the natural work of art that's around them – seven days a week, 365 days a year. For John Lennard, the landscape of the Highlands never ceases to amaze him.

"There's no lack of subject matter here," said Lennard at last Saturday's opening reception for his exhibition titled 'In Praise of Nature' at the Rails End Gallery in Haliburton. "I could probably sit in one spot, turn around a few times, and get five different paintings out of it," said Lennard.

Lennard, a renowned local oil painter who resides in Minden, created about a dozen pieces for the show which portray landscapes in Haliburton County and Algonquin Park. The brilliant, colourful works range in size from 18 x 24" and go up to 36 x 48".

A majority of the pieces that feature landscape in the county were created at a place where Lennard and his wife Marie spend their summer months together: the family cottage on Big Hawk Lake.

"I have a canoe but I don't do any sketching in it," said Lennard laughing, when asked if he's an adventurous painter.

Lennard first got his hands into oil when he was just 12 years old. His brother introduced him to the medium and ever since he's been hooked. His postsecondary studies included the Ontario College of Art and the prestigious Arts Students League of New York.

When it comes to making a piece of art, Lennard always has an idea of how to begin – initial ideas, however, usually change drastically since the canvas seems to have a mind of its own.

"The paintings grow and move in a certain direction. Sometimes they can really tick you off," said Lennard.

Since oil is a slow-drying type of paint, alterations can often be made to the piece.



"With oils I can take a knife and scrape something down if I make a mistake ... but that happens a lot these days," he said smiling.

In addition to the current Rails End exhibition, Lennard is keeping busy with a number of other events and activities. He will be participating in the Buckhorn Fine Art Festival on Aug. 12-15. Starting on Sept. 15 – Nov. 20, he'll be the subject of a retrospective exhibition set to shine light on his abstract past and the transition he's made over time to landscape art.

Lennard's show runs in the lower gallery of the Rails End until July 31. ■



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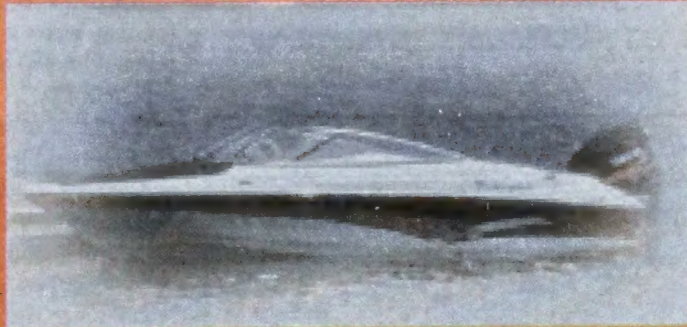
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Enduro Indecision

County Council Deadlocked

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"Land owners have the right to the quiet use and enjoyment of their property and the rights of a small number of people using the Rail trail do not supersede that of the land owners." (Len Pizzezy)

Last week the County Council faced one of its most difficult decisions in some time and throughout the entire meeting, the members were absolutely deadlocked, trying to decide whether or not to allow Enduro bikes onto Haliburton's Rail Trail.

The Council has been faced with considerable pressure since early last year by both the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders and by land owners and advocates of only non motorized use of the Rail Trail. It proved an impossible task with resolution after resolution being defeated by tie votes and, while there is presently no legal authority for them to be on the trail, ultimately it is possible that Enduro bikes may be allowed on the trail because of a technicality.

Given Council's inability to agree on a new direction, when all was said and done, a resolution that was passed last April stands which could allow Enduro bikes onto the trail for a one year trial period, subject to liability insurance and having a formal user agreement in place between the County and the Ontario Federation of Trail Riders. However, in order for this to become official Council must pass a resolution at their meeting on July 28th accepting the user agreement and an associated by-law.

The gallery in the council chambers was packed with at least 70 people that included affected land owners, field naturalists, rambles, cyclists, doctors, members of the Haliburton ATV Association, supporters of Enduro bikes and hopeful politicians. According to Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey there were more people in attendance at the meeting than there had been since the last major discussion was held on the use of Rail Trail.

Well known local journalist, businessman and outdoor enthusiast Len Pizzezy introduced a number of speakers, who as a group called themselves the 'Quiet Majority' supporting non motorized use of the rail trail. According to Pizzezy the group was hoping for rational debate rather than an emotional argument in the hopes that Council would make a decision on behalf of the majority of residents in Haliburton. As it turned out, this was a false hope.

Pizzezy said, "Land owners have the right to the quiet use and enjoyment of their property and the rights of a small number of people using the Rail trail do not supersede that of the land owners."

He went on to say that the term 'Rail Trail' suggests a transportation corridor, when in fact it should be considered a linear park. According to Pizzezy, rail trails across Ontario do not allow motorized activity, but in fact are maintained to sustain quietly healthy recreation and enjoyment of a peaceful environment. "The idea that it could be used by a multitude of people in various ways is simply wrong headed," he said.

Speaking on behalf of the land owners along the trail, Ute Wright said, among other things, that they had not been given proper notice of the meeting. "We should have been given notice in writing, particularly the adjacent land owners," adding that another motorized use should not be allowed on the Rail Trail at the expense of local residents and property owners.

Dr. Ray Isaacs spoke about the health factors associated with noise and reminded Council that environmental protection and health promotion were both stressed in the objectives of the County's Official Plan. "There is a high burden of illness and injury in this area as well as higher rates of chronic diseases. To make a difference in these trends, health promotion has to be identified as a priority."

Peter Brogden was concerned with the overall protection of the natural environment and referred to the County's OP as well, which also stresses environmental protection as an objective. "I applaud Council for establishing this priority. It forms the basis for Haliburton's way of life. Stewardship is the foundation for the plan and that applies to the Rail Trail as well."

To Brogden, by allowing motorized use the Rail Trail Master Plan does not conform with the OP. He suggested that the lack of review of the Master Plan had led Council to making a number of 'unclear and reversed decisions.' He asked Council to review the Master Plan and check it for conformity to the OP. He said, "Stewardship must take precedence and if not, it will throw into question the value of the OP in its entirety, making it not worth the paper it is printed on."

Alison Curtis then spoke on behalf of the Sunday Ramblers. According to Curtis as many as 326 people and at least a dozen dogs had participated in the rambles this spring, which she suggested had contributed to the local economy considerably. Curtis said that the group had similar events planned throughout the summer and the fall that would appeal to the general public. Curtis also said that the benefits from the Ramblers' activities were qualitative for people of all ages and abilities.

"There are had hiking opportunities elsewhere, but there are few easy walks available for the use of everyone and the reality is that if Enduro bikes are on the Rail Trail, it will not be a good experience."

Gus Janca asked the Council to consider the request by the OFTR carefully for the safety of all users, particularly hikers and cyclists. Janca, who owned an Enduro bike in the past said, "They should not be used on a shared trail. These motorcycles are a different class of machine. They are light weight with a great deal of durability. Without casting aspersions, the very nature of the machine encourages speed and a 'taking it to the edge' style of riding. An experienced rider can make a bike jump 12 feet down the trail with a huge rooster tail of gravel and mud flying out behind, while creating ruts that are expensive to fix."

Speaking on behalf of the Cycling Coalition and Communities in Action, Dick Charron said that from an economic standpoint, there was absolutely no data available in the County. He suggested that a cost benefit analysis should be completed including social, health, environmental and cost factors from both sides.

Although Charron had a number of excellent points to make, he stressed the need for a review of the Rail Trail Master Plan before any decision was made that added another use. Charron also commented that the County's new OP had incorporated a number of amendments that relate to protecting the environment, to active transportation and avoiding conflicting land use patterns.

Charron said, "Haliburton is a natural work of art, and believe me, without that, you will not attract many new people in the County. If all of Council buys into the policies included in the OP, I hope you will see that this is not the time for Enduro Bikes."

Paul Espie, speaking on behalf of all of the landowners on Meadowview Road spoke about the difficulties of living adjacent to the Rail Trail between May and October given the noise and dust from motorized use of the trail. He said it was detrimental to the residents' health, it depreciated land values and took away from their rights to enjoy private peaceful lives.

Paul Johnson represented a number of the landowners living along a 4,000 foot stretch of the Rail Trail. Johnson said that they all shared the noise and pollution from motorized use. Passing out pictures that showed not only ATV's and motorcycles, but cars and trucks on the trail, Johnson suggested that there was little control or enforcement on the trail.

"When you make a decision today, it should be enforceable, which isn't the case at present. You have no control whatsoever, but then you don't live there, so you don't care."

Ken Hoeverman, Executive Director of the OFTR then made his presentation. Hoeverman reviewed how his association conducted sound tests and spoke at length to the issue of noise. According

to Hoeverman, motorcycles cause no more environmental or surface damage than any other user of the trail, something he insisted was proven by studies.

As to there being no other options for walkers or hikers, Hoeverman said he wasn't asking for permission to use Head Lake Park, Glebe Park or the Haliburton Sculpture Forest where others could enjoy a peaceful environment. "There are over 30 non motorized trails nearby," he said adding that in his

estimation Enduro bikes were compatible with any other forms of outdoor activity and riding was a healthy and legitimate form of exercise.

Referring to earlier statements that multi use trails were not the preferred experience, Hoeverman said, "But they must exist in a fair society."

According to Hoeverman all of these issues had been discussed in the past during the course of five public meetings or open houses on the subject. "You asked us to get organized, so we spent money and did that. We are incorporated and have 40 members. You asked us to have insurance, so we paid the premiums and have covered the County with \$5,000,000 in liability insurance. Our members also enjoy nature and the environment and we have fulfilled all of Council's requests."

Hoeverman reviewed the resolution that Council passed in April of 2009 allowing Enduro bikes on the Rail Trail for a trial period, which he said had been followed by a by-law confirming the proceedings of the meeting. He embarked on a bit of a lesson on the process of passing and confirming motions in accordance with the Municipal Act and said that no appeal had been made with respect to the motion and in his estimation the Council had no option but to honour their previous decision.

Hoeverman also reviewed the funding agreements between the OFTR and the County for improvements to the Rail Trail which totalled almost \$70,000. He asked, "What were you thinking when you entered into an agreement with the OFTR?" He also asked if Council expected to receive the 10 percent holdback that the OFTR still holds on the project and said, "You are our trusted leaders. Elected officials are trusted to make decisions and stick to them."

He again questioned the Council's decision making process and suggested that he would continue to seek an agreement which allowed Enduro bikes onto the Rail Trail and if that didn't happen, he would seek compensation.

Dysart Reeve Murray Fearrey questioned a number of Hoeverman's statements and advised him that, despite his comments to the contrary, the governance of the Rail Trail had not changed and still denied access to Enduro bikes.

Fearrey also clarified that the OFTR had not provided the money for improvements to the trail, but had acted as a conduit to assist in getting a grant.

Fearrey also asked Hoeverman if he had received compensation to apply for and administer the grant and Hoeverman confirmed that he had.

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison asked for clarification on where the situation actually stood at that point and CAO Jim Wilson confirmed that Resolution No. 92-2009 which allowed Enduro bikes onto the Rail Trail still stood, but was subject to a user agreement. He also confirmed that considerable public outcry heard in May had resulted in the matter being deferred back to the committee level for more public consultation, adding that the by-law governing use of the Rail Trail would have to be amended before Enduro bikes were allowed on the trail.

The first resolution considered suggested that it was in the best interests of everyone that the Rail Trail Master Plan be given an in depth review, which would include the matter of Enduro Bikes.

Harrison said she could support a review of the Master Plan, but she felt that the review would take considerable time and

"We have violated people's rights." (Deputy Reeve Bill Davis)

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"The Process is Badly Flawed" ...from page 10

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the issue of Enduro bikes should be dealt with immediately. "We are stalling," she said, adding that she could support the motorcycles being allowed on the trail for one season if the review of the master plan was completed before the 2011 season. Harrison also said that if a review was to be done, the Council would have to look at all motorized uses given the fact that there had been complaints about ATV's as well.

Both Harrison and Fearrey agreed that the process was badly flawed and that the necessary consultation process had not been followed properly, particularly when it came to the adjacent land owners.

Fearrey then raised the issue of enforcement, suggesting that the addition of Enduro bikes would create additional costs when it came to enforcement. While James Rogers, responsible for enforcement of the rules on the Rail Trail, suggested that there would be little difference in enforcement, he also admitted that enforcement was complaint driven and there would likely be more complaints.

Minden Hills Deputy Reeve Cheryl Murdoch argued that the OFTR had met all the conditions. "This is an election year," she said, "we have stalled long enough. There is no reason not to give them a trial run and I would ask for a vote today."

Highlands East Deputy Reeve Jim

Mackie argued that there was mixed use on the old IB&O rail line in his municipality with few problems. He suggested that the only problem was enforcement and that there had been problems with ATV's on the trail as well.

Dysart Deputy Reeve Bill Davis said he did not support allowing Enduro bikes on the trail prior to any review of the Master Plan. Referring primarily to the land owners in the area, he said "People have been slighted and we have violated their rights. Let's not slight them again. Give them time to review the Master Plan."

Algonquin Highlands Deputy Reeve Tom Gardner suggested that there had already been sufficient public consultation. Gardner said, "When it comes to arguments about the safety of a multi use trail, we already have a lot of them through the 'share the road campaign' where cyclists share the roads with all types of uses many at a much higher speeds."

Gardner said, "The Sunday Rambles are great and they will be able to continue. There are lots of easy walks around including sidewalks and Riverwalk."

Fearrey again raised the issue of additional costs which he said called for a weighted vote on the matter. (According to the County's Procedural By-law, Fearrey has a total of three votes and Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon has an additional vote when it comes to matters of capital costs, the budget, acquisition of property and contractual agreements, given the extent of assessment in the two municipalities.)

When Harrison disagreed with the suggestion that there should be a weighted vote, Fearrey responded that he had always avoided making decisions on matters that would have a negative impact on another community.

After several more comments on the issue of a weighted vote, Warden Burton commented that he had read the criteria and in his opinion it did not suit the situation. Little more was said on the matter, but the subject of weighted votes may rise to the surface again when the subject of Enduro bikes is discussed at the Council meeting later this month.

Minden Hills Reeve Jim McMahon said, "There have been some very strong cases presented here today. I was one of the guys that voted in favour of Enduro bikes when it came to the table and it was for economic reasons, but I was failing to take into consideration the feelings of those who live along or adjacent to the Rail Trail. I have heard from my ratepayers that they don't want this so I am going to vote against it."

A resolution was brought forward that County Council direct the staff to prepare an RFP to undertake a comprehensive review of the Rail Trail corridor prior to May, 2011 and that Enduro bikes be allowed on the trail for the remainder of the year. In a recorded vote Gardner, Mackie, Harrison and Murdoch voted in favour of the motion and Fearrey, McMahon, Davis and Burton voted against it.

The motion was defeated and there was considerable applause from the audience. But that wasn't the end of the matter.

A resolution was then brought forward to prepare an RFP to undertake a comprehensive review of the Rail Trail and any decision to allow Enduro bikes onto the trail be deferred until after the review was completed. The votes

were reversed with Gardner, Mackie, Harrison and Murdoch voting against the motion and Fearrey, McMahon, Davis and Burton voting in favour of it. Once again the tie vote defeated the motion.

At this point the room was abuzz and it was obvious that there was a lot of confusion in the room as to exactly what was happening. As an aside to the audience, Fearrey, with no small hint of sarcasm said, "This is your tax dollars at work folks."

Pizzey, from the audience commented, "This argument is like the issue of smoking. It is legal, but you can't impose it on others."

Another resolution was brought forward to overturn the June 9th, 2010 recommendation of the Economic Development and Tourism Committee to deny Enduro bikes access to the Rail Trail, but rather they be allowed on the trail for the remainder of the year subject to licensing, insurance and a formal agreement. Once again the vote was tied and the resolution defeated.

Harrison again commented that the resolution made last year to allow the motorcycles onto the trail still stood and had not been rescinded. Fearrey, however, said that the required changes to the Rail Trail By-law had not been enacted and that a motion did not supersede a by-law.

Harrison reiterated that the Council had passed a resolution that was still on the books and while Wilson again confirmed that was the case, he also said it would be subject to approving an agreement between the OFTR and the County which would be brought forward at the next meeting.

Murdoch commented that, given the fact that the existing Council could not sort out the issue of Enduro bikes, any effort to review the Rail Trail Master Plan should be the job of a new Council.

Fearrey, whose municipality will be affected the most by a decision to allow a new motorized use on the trail, said later that he was very disappointed to see that some members of the Council had a total disregard for the fact that property owners rights would be infringed upon by adding a different type of vehicle to allowed uses on the trail.

The issue will be back on the agenda for discussion on July 28th when a motion to accept a user agreement with the OFTR is tabled and this writer isn't ready to lay any odds on what the outcome might be. ■

"This is your tax dollars at work folks."

(Reeve Murray Fearrey)



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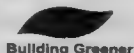
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Drag and Spruce Lakes' AGM a Hit

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"There are lots of fingerlings to feed the trout."

(Bert Bicknell)

Politics, finances, water levels, loons, websites and the foibles of the Trent Severn Waterway topped the list of items for discussion during the Drag and Spruce Lakes Property Owners' Association annual meeting held last Sunday morning at the Haliburton Curling Club. Although the meeting took place on one of the hottest days of the year so far, that didn't keep an enthusiastic and engaged group of members from showing up and offering their support to their executive.

Association President Barb Bohlin gave a warm welcome to almost a hundred members and thanked them for coming out on such a beautiful morning. Bohlin introduced her Executive, the association's two webmasters and all of the Area Directors before getting down to the business of the day. Commenting that, between the executive and the area directors, they try to make a point of visiting all of the association members each year, Bohlin put out a call for more Area Directors.

With the minutes of the previous year adopted, Bohlin then moved on to the Treasurer's Report where several items needed to be addressed. Over time the organization has become somewhat strapped for cash despite having as many as 270 members. Of the longstanding \$20 membership fee, \$15 goes into the general operating fund and the other \$5 goes towards the stewardship fund.

While Bohlin acknowledged that the amount of the stewardship fund had been questioned, she said, "We need to be prepared for any situation of concern that comes up, like environmental issues or unwanted development, particularly if we need a lawyer or have to incur expenses, and the money has to be raised over time. We hope to have approximately \$12,000 in reserves in the fund."

Bohlin said that the association had been running a deficit for years and had been able to continue only due to a previous surplus. Even the stewardship fund which had previously totalled \$16,000 has shrunk to just below \$13,000. She said she had done a bit of a survey of other lake associations on their membership fees and ultimately recommended that the fees increase to \$25 while contributing slightly less to the stewardship fund.

"This is a short term fix," she said, adding that on the long term the executive would be looking at advertising efforts to further offset costs.

After a number of suggestions were discussed the members agreed, that they would prefer a larger hike in fees and maintaining the strength of their stewardship fund. A resolution was passed accepting a \$30 membership fee starting next year, \$5 of which would go towards the stewardship fund.

Discussion then turned to charitable donations, which usually comprise 4 percent of the association's membership intake. In the past the association has donated to the hospital, Rails End Gallery, the schools, fire department and EMS. Bohlin said, "Haliburton is an outstanding community for volunteer work and there are so many good groups from which we can benefit."

Bohlin offered the new Haliburton library for the members' consideration this year. "It is truly outstanding," she said, adding that there had been a considerable improvement in services, that the collection was great and the surroundings wonderful.

While a number of suggestions were made about organizations that assist low income families and a variety of fund raising initiatives, Dave LaFerle pointed out that the executive had tried to look at organizations that offered value to a broad sector of the community. It was generally accepted that donations would be welcomed by organizations that support low income families, or women and children and Bohlin offered to provide contact information.

A number of suggestions were made about the percentage factor to determine the amount of the donation and several members suggested a cap of \$500. The membership finally resolved to make a \$300 donation to the Haliburton Library and to continue with an amount that equalled 4 percent of the membership fees to a maximum of \$500.

Moving on to elections, the position of treasurer was open for re-election. Existing treasurer, Carmen Colangelo had agreed to let his name stand for re-election. It took little more than Bohlin commenting that Colangelo is a GCA and he was readily re-elected to the position.

Lake Steward Bert Bicknell was up next and immediately thanked the membership for their continued endorsement of the stewardship fund. "No doubt we will face a development in the future that may or not be acceptable to our membership and we will need a specialist to deal with it."

According to Bicknell the Haliburton Hastings Fisheries Unit in Bancroft has been phased out, but through correspondence he has found that special nettings will continue to be supported out of the Minden MNR office.

"The assessment of our lake is based on nettings that have been done over several years as well as hydro acoustic studies that have been performed. That seems to be the technology of the future and the sonar readings off the fish can assess the number, size and type of fish in our lake."

Bicknell confirmed that these studies have shown that the fisheries continue to grow in number and size, albeit slowly. "We have also detected a great many more young herring than in the past, so there are lots of fingerlings that feed the trout."

Martin Rist, Co-chair of the Coalition for Equitable Water Flow, provided an update on the Coalition's activities. Rist referred to the crazy year being experienced with record warm dry weather resulting in extremely low water levels. "The TSW people were caught unaware. Snow levels at the end of February were normal and then exceptionally warm weather sublimated the snow and they weren't able to get the logs in quick enough, resulting in low levels and beaches that aren't normally there until August."

"They tried to capture as much as water as they could and Drag Lake wasn't bad. Others have suffered far more. But then June came with a lot of rain resulting in flooded lakes and drowned docks."

"Conservation is now a word in the TSW's vocabulary."
(Martin Rist)

Rist said he had spoken with TSW personnel and after, turning their generating stations back on, the water levels on some of the lakes have started to gain some balance."

Rist reminded members that the CEWF's website offers links to Parks Canada and the TSW where updated water levels are available. "The site also offers all of the latest news and background reports and it will help to cut down on needless searches."

According to Rist the CEWF is pushing for updated water management procedures and while it is a long slow process they do see some change. Tongue in cheek, Rist said, "Conservation is now a word in their vocabulary."

I believe that they will continue to improve and we'll be watching and working with them on how and when to draw down water than just for the sake of convenience which always compromises our enjoyment of the lakes."

Rist also said that that \$30 million dollars in stimulus funding had provided a bit of a boost and all new logs were installed, along with level meters and automatic rain gauges. In addition several dams have been repaired.

"So we are benefiting from that spending which is good news. But the bad news on the long term is that they need minimum levels of money to keep things up to date. That is estimated at \$30 million and the annual budget is only \$3 million, so there will be issues in the future which will be one of the biggest challenges for an aging system."

Rist said that one of the recommendations made to Parks Canada was the establishment of an independent water management agency to balance the needs of everyone affected. "That recommendation wasn't followed but Parks Canada has set up a Water Management Advisory Council to advise them. The jury is still out on that. The CEWF have a representative on the Council (Rist's CEWF Co-chair Dr. Chris Riddle) but while they have had several meetings they've had some trouble getting going, so it isn't clear if the Council will be effective."

Bicknell then commented that the association was extremely fortunate to have an active president who was also an environmentalist who patrols the lake and makes reports on any loon activity. Bohlin, who has been affectionately dubbed 'the Loon Lady' said she had good news and bad news in that there are four pairs and one lone loon on the lake along with numerous visitors, but none of the pairs have had any chicks. "We're not sure why, but we're watching them."

Much to Bohlin's delight, one member said that he had seen chicks in East Bay and another said they had seen a chick the previous evening in Spruce Lake. Bohlin voiced concern that the loons were being terrorized by watercraft, particularly on Outlet Bay. "The chicks don't dive or fly and the parents won't leave them. There are so many boat operators that don't watch for them."

Bicknell then reported that Wayne McMullen and Peter Forgrave had been doing water quality and clarity checks over the course of the summer as well as taking samples to check for phosphates. "Forgrave's report is that our water is as clear as he has ever seen it."

Bicknell voiced concern about developing lots being almost clear cut and asked members to keep an eye on and report this kind of activity. He also said that big landscaping rocks had been used on several shorelines which he felt deterred from the natural shoreline appearance. "We have a mandate to maintain the natural shoreline and, with your support, we will be meeting with (Planner) Pat Martin. There was a ready show of hands in agreement."

Bicknell said that he had been doing the lake steward's job for 20 years and asked if there was anyone who would like to be a lake steward. "I'd be pleased to hear from you and you could start simply by joining the committee and take it from there."

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Drag and Spruce Lakes' AGM

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Concerns were raised by the members about erosion caused by traffic coming through from Spruce Lake into Lazy Bay. "It's outrageous," one member said, "I've never been splashed so much in my life and it's taking out soil."

This led to discussions about signage like 'Slow: Loons & Swimmers' but it was recognized that while some boaters listen, others don't. A number of suggestions were offered in aid of improving the situation including additional signage, swim rafts, buoys and enforcement. One member said he had several confrontations with neighbours and he didn't advise that as a solution. He suggested a form letter to all members from the executive.

Membership Chair Nancy Stinson voiced a concern about listing the young cottagers in the directory and thus giving strangers access to their information. A number of members stressed the importance of young cottagers forging friendships during this time of their life, some of which last a lifetime. After considerable discussion it was agreed that the list would be maintained but not published and a note would be included in the directory with a contact number.

Rist, wearing his webmaster's hat, spoke about the improvements and changes that he had made to the D&SLPOA's website making it more flexible. The site includes maps, information sections, a history of the lake, an events calendar and bulletin board along with numerous helpful links. He recommended that members take a look and encouraged feedback.

Dave LaFerle, with considerable enthusiasm and detail then ran through all of the association summer events which included the Ced Hurd Memorial Mile and Novelty Swims on July 31st, Fun Day BBQ and corn roast on August 1st, a Golf Day on the morning of September 4th and a Sailing Day that same afternoon off Harris' Beach. Len Pizzey stressed the fact that the events were expected to be alcohol free as they are geared for families and children.

Bohlin then reminded members that Election Day was scheduled for Monday, October 25th and that mail in voting was available, something she said most residents strongly want to maintain. "I urge you all to vote. As waterfront owners we have needs that should be heard."

Bohlin introduced Dennis Casey, a candidate for Ward 2. She said that there had been two candidates and while both had been invited to speak to the group, one had withdrawn. "So Mr. Casey has the floor to himself."

Casey urged everyone to attend any of the all candidates meetings that are scheduled, but said if they could not attend, to follow election information in the local papers.

Casey said that he had been on Council in the past and had well rounded knowledge of what was required. "I was born and raised here which is one of the first questions asked as I go door to door. I was actually born in the Canoe FM building, where my wife runs the store, and I'm proud of that."

"Family historians tell me that both of my great grandfathers were on Council and until Murray Fearrey came along, my great grandfather was the longest standing member on Council. So I have great roots and feel that is an advantage."

Casey said that he knew all of the nooks and crannies in the ward and in the Drag Lake area very well. He confirmed that he was a business administration graduate from Sir Sanford Fleming College and had gone through the school system in Haliburton.

"I'm often asked what my issues are and I really don't have any. Having been on Council before and looking at the slate around the County, I see people getting passionate and wanting to fix things. I think you get there as a Councillor and you find after a while that there are issues throughout the municipality and you have to work with everyone as a whole. Having said that, I will be there to work on your behalf and deal with any issues that arise. However, Casey did mention the rapidly increasing amount of waste at the landfill and the importance of finding more room, something that has been an ongoing issue for the township.

"I would be delighted and honoured to being your elected representative," he said, adding that he was self employed and therefore available and flexible and he hoped to be able to help.

Ward Councillor Derek Knowles was up next and commented that it gave him an eerie feeling to follow someone that wanted to take on his job. Knowles confirmed that he would not seek re-election in November but thanked everyone for their support during his term.

Knowles, who has played an active role on the Waste Management Committee, spoke about the progress being made in waste management initiatives and recycling. "There are tons of recyclables going out of Haliburton on a weekly basis. He advised that the municipality was seeking permits to expand the Haliburton landfill but said it was a timely and costly process that would no doubt have an impact on taxes. "So the less you bring to the landfill the better," and gave a few tips about burning after hours, and having stumps ground.

Knowles also commented on the condition of the roads. "When I first became a Councillor 99 percent of the calls I received were about roads, but I'm pleased to say that this year I haven't had one call about roads. "They're not perfect but they're much better and our Roads Department needs a pat on the back."

Knowles also spoke with pride about the new library. He talked about the initial outcry against the cost of a new library and the comments by many who suggested that no one reads books any more. "But the usage has increased dramatically. The project was planned, the grants approved, a very successful fund raising campaign was run and a great site selected, that I had a bit to do with."

He urged people to go and look at the library, adding that it is something to be very proud of. "And I'm delighted to say that not 5 cents of the cost of the library was applied to your tax bill.

Knowles reviewed the phases of the upcoming streetscape project, stressing the fact that it was an extremely people friendly project that he thought would be spectacular and a beautiful gateway to the Village. Knowles reminded everyone that he would remain in office until the end of November if anyone needed him.

Saving the best for last as Bohlin put, it Reeve Murray Fearrey was then introduced. Fearrey reminded everyone about the upcoming hazardous waste day on August 7th and stressed the need to get that type of item out of their homes and out of the landfill as well.

Fearrey reviewed progress being made both with Dysart's and the County's Official Plans. He talked about a move on the County's part to tighten up clearing of waterfront lots, saying that once adopted waterfront owners will only be able to clear 30 percent of their lot frontage to a maximum of 50 feet. While he said the County would be enforcing this, he acknowledged that it could be a stewardship and enforcement issue.

Fearrey commented that there were rules that had to be enforced, but there were also people today with a lot of money for lawyers that were prepared to fight them on a variety of issues. Referring to lake plans, Fearrey said, "It's great that FOCA has developed criteria and a blueprint for stewardship but there is no point in having the plans if the guidelines can't be enforced."

Touching on taxation, Fearrey said that this year both the municipal and county councils had had some real struggles with the province pulling back considerable amounts of funding. "Now the province has started peeling back on equalization grants which have resulted in increases despite the municipality dropping its rates. That will be a challenge next year. We can't cut every year and we can't spend what we don't have."

Fearrey confirmed that he was running again and that he needed everyone's vote. "I appreciate the support I've had from Drag Lake and, if I'm successful, I would appreciate your continued support." ■

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See page 27 for Answer

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She Earth: Goddess, Spirit, Nature exhibition

By Will Jones



"Symbols and shapes with an ephemeral touch speak of our spirituality. The figures, they tell richly suggestive tales of human nature." Tiffany Howe

"These works are just the tip of the iceberg. We would love to do a bigger show and invite other artists who hold the same values to contribute, too. Hopefully peoples' interest in this show will lead to bigger things." Noelia Marziali

As a journalist relatively fresh out of the city - still sucking in great lungfuls of this Haliburton air because I can't believe how clean and fresh it is - the idea of true connectivity with nature is something I'm still a long way from achieving. I don't profess to know much about spirituality; nor the endlessly mystifying enigma that is Woman, for that matter.

However, my re-education into all of the above starts here, She Earth: Goddess, Spirit, Nature, a new exhibition by artists Tiffany Howe and Noelia Marziali at the Ethel Curry Gallery. This collection of works, which includes 28 paintings and a whole host of sculptures, is described by the artists as 'depicting the female form united with nature'.

Noelia says: "Throughout time, Gods and Goddesses have been born out of the collective conscience of many cultures as a means to embody and celebrate our natural world and its cycles."

The duo finds inspiration in Greek, Roman, Mayan, Celtic, Native American cultures and here they focus on women who have touched them personally, blending them with nature and especially the plant life of spring and summer.

"Symbols and shapes with an ephemeral touch speak of our spirituality," says Tiffany. "The figures, they tell richly suggestive tales of human nature."

Born raised in Haliburton, Tiffany studied at Sheridan College in Oakville, while living in Toronto. However, as much as she loved the fast-pace of city life, Haliburton drew her back. "There is something special about the place," she says. "It has a kind of magnetism for creative souls, a beauty that would inspire even the hardest of hearts."

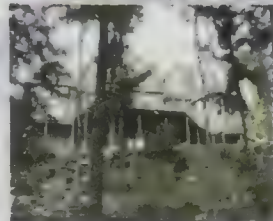
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Kennisis Lake \$489,000



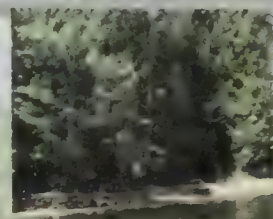
This property radiates unbelievable energy. Moss and pine needles cover the forest floor. You can almost see the fairies flitting about this point lot. Water on 3 side, breathtaking view, level lot. 3 bdrms & den, garage+studio. Furnished. 3 seasons could convert

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Grass Lake \$239,900



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Kennisis Lake \$499,000



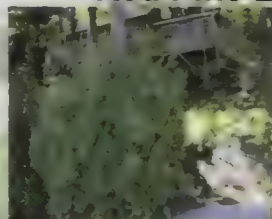
Sheltered shoreline, level lot, paved rd to door. 4 season, 3 bdrms, master /2pc ensuite. Stone fireplace for those cool evenings. Open concept with large kitchen area. Shed 8 X 12 plus wood storage area. Comes fully furnished and some toys.

Paddy's Bay KennisisLk \$549,000



895 ft fr, 12 ac, point lot W,N,E exp, 2400 sq ft, Viceroy, open concept, hardwood flrs, 2 ensuite 1- 2 pc, master needs partition to give 3rd bdrm, 3 decks. Total priv. Great walking bush. Sandy, good swimming. 700 ft lot avall to make a package deal

Red Pine Lake \$249,000



153 ft fr on 1.13 acres, 2 bdrm cottage total reno. Hardwood & pine floors, pine walls & cathedral ceilings, new windows & kitchen. Propane fridge, stove, airtight wood stove. Sauna. Very private. Crown land beside and behind. Boat access by way of Kennisis Dam

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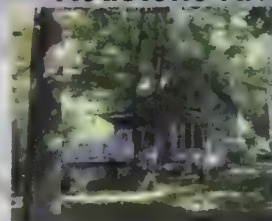
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Kennisis Lk Paddy's Bay \$235,000



240 ft fr on 1.72 acres. Check out this great building lot on Paddy's Bay off Kennisis Lk. Natural rock entering the water, mature trees, very priv. Wide view across water to the west. Enjoy great sunsets, quiet canoe rides. Close to the Kennisis Dam and a canoe trip to Red Pine.

Bitter Lake \$69,000



3.53 ac maple bush to roam. 16 by 20 cabin / deck to sit and watch wildlife meander by. Space for campfires & kids to run. Close to snowmobiling. Walking distance to Bitter/Burdock lakes. Put your boat in, enjoy fishing on these 2 lakes.



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She Earth ...from page 14

Tiffany describes herself as 'an eclectic collector and professional dabbler'. In her work she predominantly uses acrylics and mixed media - items which other people might throw away such as strips of cloth, buttons, grass, twigs and leaves, or strips of corrugated cardboard, for instance. "I use assemblage and collage to formulate my finds into kind of three dimensional paintings," she says.

Noelia is a relative newcomer to Haliburton, moving here around four years ago from Rosseau, Ontario. She grew up in Toronto, attending a high school that specialised in art. The wider world beckoned and Noelia travelled to San Francisco to attend the Academy of Art College, before returning to the Ontario College of Art and Design. However, a wanderer at heart, she left to visit Europe soon after and on returning to Ontario moved to Haliburton, drawn here by the thriving art scene.

Noelia's work is more representational than Tiffany's, featuring many portraits and body castings of the female form. She works in oils and acrylics, adding flourishes with natural elements such as flowers: look out for what Noelia dubs the 'nipple daisy' in one of her works!

These two artists have a shared sense of humour and mischievousness when being interviewed: they bat my questions back and forth, skipping around an answer, laughing while knowing they are making life difficult for this journalist. Similarly, they have a great relationship and connected instinct when it comes to their art. This stems from a friendship born over three years ago and having since shared both studios and homes.

The result is two separate bodies of work that compliment each other in many ways. The joint exhibition is the product of them both realising their collective intuition. "We connect on many levels," says Noelia, "spirituality, nature and especially womanhood."

"We also get on great and find the same things funny," smiles Tiffany. "We were going to call the show 'A Bunch Of Paintings Of Boobs By Two Boobs', but then our serious artist side got the better of us and we came up with a more realistic title!"

And so to She Earth: Goddess, Spirit, Nature. The exhibition runs from July 10th to August 8th. It occupies a compact space within the Ethel Curry Gallery. Visitors should not be put off by the relatively crowded nature of the 'store'. The exhibition itself is designed to be a serene place; not minimal nor empty by any means, but a space where visitors can interact with the artworks, walk amongst the sculptures and paintings and get a real feel for the connected worlds of spirituality, femininity and nature that Tiffany and Noelia have drawn upon.

To be entirely honest, the exhibition does need a larger space for the works to be fully appreciated. Both artists acknowledge this, while also stating their gratitude for being able to exhibit at the Ethel Curry Gallery.

"These works are just the tip of the iceberg," says Noelia. "We would love to do a bigger show and invite other artists who hold the same values to contribute, too. Hopefully peoples' interest in this show will lead to bigger things."

Highlights to look out for at the exhibition are Noelia's oils, *Graced By The Seasons In Flight* and *Sun Charmed Meditations*, and Tiffany's *Spirit Of The Leaf Dance* and *Symbols Femme*, the latter of which is a triptych. And, if I wanted to get a cheap laugh out of this article I'd say, 'fellas don't miss the boob casts' but then that would be decidedly low brow, almost as low as giving such a lovely collection of works a title like 'A Bunch Of Paintings Of Boobs By Two Boobs'.

You see, this ex-city boy is learning. Slowly but surely I'm getting in touch with nature, with spirituality, even with my feminine side. Being able to appreciate the cornucopia of artwork produced in Haliburton County plays a major part in that, as does interviewing talented artists such as Tiffany and Noelia; and realising that they have a sense of humour just like mine! ■

Earthweek: A Diary of the Planet

By Steve Newman



Recycled Island



A Dutch architecture company says it plans to construct a massive island in the Pacific made from the vast collection of plastic that has collected in the "Great Pacific Garbage Patch" between Hawaii and San Francisco. WHIM's Ramon Knoester says the construction of "Recycled Island" will clean out the majority of the Pacific's plastic pollution and create new habitable land as many of the world's coastlines are lost to rising sea levels. A large portion of the new island is being set aside for agriculture so inhabitants can be self-sufficient in food production, Knoester says. Prototypes of the plastic blocks to be used in the island buildings are said to be under development. If completed, the island would float in a circle around the North Pacific Gyre, remaining in the same general area of mild and relatively storm-free weather.

Flood Starvation



Hundreds of wild animals are threatened with starvation due to a massive release of flood waters behind a dam on southern Africa's Zambezi River. Zimbabwe's government-run *The Herald* reports that the animals have become marooned on a few small islands that border Zimbabwe and Zambia, cutting them off from their usual food sources. What food that was available there has been eaten since the animals became trapped in March. The Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority says there are at least 100 buffaloes, over 200 waterbucks, over 100 impalas and several baboons on the Zimbabwe islands and at least 60 buffaloes on the Zambian islands. Wildlife authorities in both countries say they are collecting emergency food supplies to deliver to the starving animals.

Glacial Disappearance



The leader of a new scientific expedition to eastern Indonesia's equatorial glaciers in the mountains of Papua province says he has found they are melting at an alarming rate. "These glaciers are dying," said Ohio State University glaciologist Lonnie Thompson. "Before I was thinking they had a few decades, but now I'd say we're looking at years." He said that his expedition was pounded with rain every day, something he has never before encountered during three decades of drilling ice cores. Thompson told reporters he is fortunate to have collected climate details stored in the ice before it disappears forever.

Dolphin 'Superpod'



A group of tourists on a whale-watching expedition off the western coast of Scotland was treated to the sight of about 1,000 dolphins swimming around them in a "superpod." Operator Nick Davies of Hebridean Whale Cruises said he'd seen such a sight only once before during the past 15 years of cruising off the isle of Skye, and it was in the same general area. "They were everywhere you looked for as far as you could see," Davies told reporters. "There was five square miles where they just filled the sea." It's believed that the gathering of short-beaked common dolphins occurred as smaller pods came together to chase a huge shoal of fish.

Earthquakes



A 5.4 magnitude jolt centered near Palm Springs sent people scrambling beneath desks as items toppled off shelves across a wide area of Southern California.

• Earth movements were also felt in south-central Alaska, northeastern Japan and south-central coastal Chile.

Call of the Wild



Zoo staff in New York say they have found a way to coax a critically endangered bird to breed — by playing back the recorded sounds of others in the species that were preening and nest building. Only about 400 Waldrapp ibises are believed to still be left in the wild. One semi-wild flock in Austria provided the recorded love sounds that have inspired several of the winged couples in the Bronx Zoo to produce eggs. The birds don't often reproduce in captivity. After plugging the recorded ibis love calls stored on an iPod into speakers around the birds' enclosure, the ibises began to build nests, preen and neck. Eventually, six chicks hatched in May and have since grown to about adult size, according to the Wildlife Conservation Society, which owns and operates the zoo.

Fish Talk



A New Zealand marine researcher says he has found that some fish can talk to each other with noises that include chirps, pops and grunts. Shahrman Ghazali, of the University of Auckland, says he believes that audible messages are used to attract mates, scare predators or even orient themselves. "All fish can hear, but not all can make sound — pops and other sounds made by vibrating their swim bladder, a muscle they can contract," Ghazali told the *New Zealand Herald*. He says cod are mostly silent, but become very vocal while spawning. The gurnard was found to have a wide vocal repertoire and to chat almost constantly. But Ghazali says the gilled gabbers might have to fall silent at times to keep from giving away their locations to passing predators.

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Country Setting Nichols Rd - \$212,900

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All Brick Bungalow - \$199,900

This will keep solid brick bungalow is conveniently located minutes from Minden w/year round access & Minden Lake access close by. 3 Bdrms, 2 baths and features oak kitchen w/ceramics, 2 propane fireplaces, full finished basement, propane hot water tank, & attached garage. Recent upgrades include shingles, septic, windows & exterior doors. Set on almost 1 ACRE and a big private backyard, hot tub & above ground pool. Call to have a look.



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Lt. Boshkung Lake - \$599,000

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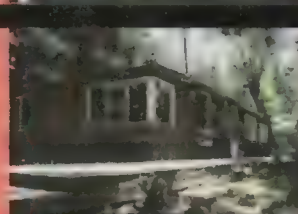


New Price - \$194,900

Beautiful lake view. Well maintained 3 bedroom home only minutes to the town of Haliburton. Interior is finished with pine and features a granite stone fireplace, 2 bathrooms and full basement. Very private lot and loads of potential.



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Kushlong Lake - \$499,000

Kushog Lake home offers western sunsets with a mixed beach of gradual entry sand and rock. Deep water off the dock. This 3+2 bedroom home and bunkie offers 2252 sqft of living space on a natural setting of well landscaped land. Gentle slope to the water with granite steps to the granite patio. Beautiful kitchen and open concept living space. Call to view.



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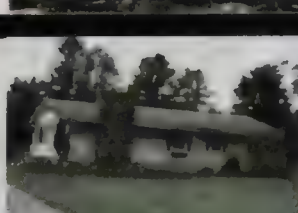


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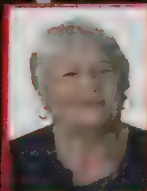


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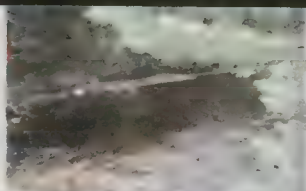
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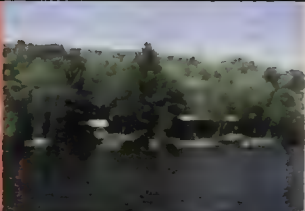
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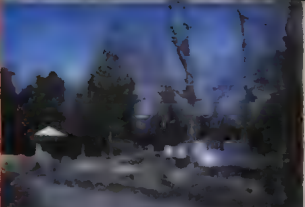
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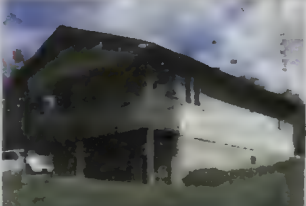
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Redstone Lake Cottagers Lake Plan Forges Ahead

Membership and Future Mandate Concerns Aired

Stephen Patrick

Editor

The Redstone Lake Cottagers Association held its Annual General Meeting at the Haliburton Forest Reserve last weekend with concerns about water levels, the ongoing effort to produce a Lake Plan, and the desire to define a suitable mandate for the future among the chief concerns aired.

The RLCA is also debating, at the Board Level, the possibility of joining the Coalition of Haliburton Associations. The RLCA were part of the initial discussions that lead to the formation of the CHA, and has attended every meeting since as observers, but to date have not joined. Apparently the RLCA Board of Directors is split on the issue, and according to its President, Shal Gewurtz, wants to debate the matter further before taking the issue to the membership. When asked by the Voice why the Board didn't want to involve the membership directly in the decision, Mr. Gewurtz replied that he, and the Board, felt that they should reach a consensus at the Board level, and then present their position to the membership.

Mr. Gewurtz felt that although there were clearly many positive aspects to membership in the CHA, their were concerns about the CHA's "governance" that had to be resolved. Gewurtz thought that the Board would be able to resolve those matters one way or another relatively soon. The CHA now counts 26 Lake Associations as members, including Oxtongue in the north, Moore in the south, Kennisis, Kashagawigamog, Koshlong, and Drag/Spruce. As reported in last week's Voice, the CHA has almost completed its lakefront property owners' manual, and has started to develop a Lake Steward's Manual as well.

The RLCA has some 200 members, out of over 600 property owners on the Lake, and about 75 members attended the AGM.

Outgoing Lake Steward John Jackson reported that there was little change in the Secchi disk readings over the past year, (the Secchi Disk readings indicate water clarity) or in the Lake's PH levels. Last year there were ph readings that suggested a more alkaline level, but Jackson told the membership that there were problems with that data, and if fact Redstone, Little Redstone, and Pelaw were all still slightly acidic. But the data nevertheless showed little change over the past 15 or so years. Jackson also warned of the continuing threat to Redstone's healthy Lake Trout population posed by the Rock Bass, and suggested that a Rock Bass Tournament (with no catch and release) might help the situation.

Director Keith Beard brought the membership up to date on the development of a Lake Plan, the plans for which were initially started back in 2002, with a commitment to proceed made in 2005. The RLCA decided not to go the route of many other associations, who have contracted with Lake Planner Randy French for example, to prepare their plans. Instead, a RLCA committee has been working diligently over the past couple of years to prepare a detailed draft. Mr. Beard showed a few tantalizing morsels of the draft, and promised that it would be available on the RLCA website as soon as possible for all the membership to review.

Director Aline Huliva outlined the RLCA's activities at the Municipal and County Level with regard to the new Official Plans being developed. Huliva pronounced herself and the Board very pleased with the way the consultations had gone, and welcomed the proposed changes to both OPs, which clearly will go a long way to protecting existing property owners privacy, lake usage, and shoreline use.

Trent Severn Waterway Engineer Dave Ness gave a detailed presentation on the always controversial issues of water management within the Haliburton Reservoir Lakes, and outlined some of the serious challenges posed by the TSW's mandate, and by the vicissitudes of Mother Nature. For example, the TSW was extremely worried earlier this year when, after a virtual drought in April and May, it appeared that the water levels in the Haliburton Lakes would be close to all-time lows. However, the rains of June have saved the situation, for now. Ness pointed to the repairs and upgrading that the recent federal stimulus monies allowed, while cautioning that the budget for future repairs had been severely curtailed. The stimulus monies also paid for the installation of electronic water level monitoring devices, which Ness checks

every day in his office in Peterborough and updates on the Parks Canada website. This shows the precise levels in each of the major watershed lakes, with a comparative graph showing historical highs and lows. For example, it's easy to see from the website just how bad the situation was earlier this year. (The graph's available at http://www.pc.gc.ca/lhn-nhs/on/trentsevern/visit/ne-wl/trent_e.asp).

In other business, Association President Gewurtz took a stab at the always difficult topic of mandate, the RLCA's future, and his own vision of how that future might unfold. He noted that the 1961 Incorporation Papers for the Association described its mandate as follows: "to advance the cultural and social interests of summer and permanent residents; to promote the interests of persons owning property; and to promote aquatic and other social and physical activities of young people in the vicinity." Gewurtz then updated the three points to reflect today's language and focus, thusly: "To draw the community together through regular communications and events; to advocate through governments and organizations to positively influence decisions; and to monitor and be vigilant about what's happening in lake and vicinity." And the challenge, as Gewurtz sees it, is to "connect the dots between our expectations, our needs, and our capabilities." And, to answer the question of "Where do we need to go?", Gewurtz proposed a four-point strategy for the members' consideration and comment.

First, he wants to assure a fair and measured evolution that "meets the needs of all current and future Redstone residents." To do this he suggests four specific approaches: first, avoid over-development such as condos, backlots, monster boathouses, heli-pads, resorts, trailer parks, and so on. Pollution must also be kept under strict control, with no mining, clear cutting, and monitoring of ageing septic systems and agricultural runoff.

Secondly, "Influence what's currently happening in Redstone", by water management (lake levels), managing water quality and invasive species, halt any potential deterioration of the shoreline, and the production of a Lake Plan to ensure Redstone cottagers and residents concerns will be considered by the Municipality and the County.

Thirdly, the RLCA needs to reflect the lake's changing demographics, particularly the increasing number of permanent residents. And fourthly, the lake needs a "strong, vibrant, active association with more volunteers. We must stop the vicious cycle of a weak association with few volunteers, which produces inadequate activities, which in turn produces an even weaker association." Gewurtz then suggested a that the RLCA consider a Roster of Volunteers, which would augment the work of the Board of Directors. And concluded with a plea for more volunteers at every level of the organization.

Finally, in a call for new directors, four more cottagers stepped up to the plate and were nominated and accepted as board members, which perhaps in itself validates Gewurtz' plea for increased community involvement. (For comment on this and other aspects of the RLCA meeting, please see this week's editorial on page four.) ■



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Haliburton Captures Korean Family's Hearts



First Project for Haliburton's Creative Business Incubator

The Haliburton Language School, the first project of The Haliburton Creative Business Incubator, is nearly ready to accept exchange students from countries such as Japan, Indonesia and Korea. In preparation for this endeavour, the Language School hosted Eun-Gyoung Seo and her husband and son during the Canada Day long weekend.

Eun-Gyoung has been a professor at Seoul University and at the University of Toronto, both of which are located in huge cities. Eun-Gyoung and her family have not once stayed outside of a city in their lives.

Haliburton is, of course, one of the most beautiful places to visit, with its numerous lakes and relaxed atmosphere, and has earned its title of 'cottage country' for good reason.

During the visit, the family was fortunate enough to spend three days in the county, and enjoy a boat ride, Haliburton Forest, a log cabin cottage, fireworks on Canada Day, and the Log Chute. "It's like Heaven, like I'm in a dream," exclaimed Eun-Gyoung's husband. The family can not wait to return and has sincerely enjoyed their voyage outside of a city.

Being so positively affected by her visit to the Highlands, Eun-Gyoung has claimed that she will promote the Haliburton Language School when she is back at Seoul University in hopes that perhaps the students will, some day, be blessed with the chance to visit the county.

Karra Wesley, the owner of Haliburton Language School, is hopeful that they will be booking in students from Japan any day now. The School already has a tutoring program put in place and ready to go. Mike Jaycock, manager of the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator, helps provide the necessities for emerging businesses such as the Haliburton Language School.

For more information about the Haliburton Creative Business Incubator, please e-mail hcbi@bell.net or visit www.haliburtoncdc.ca/about-our-incubator.html. ■



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Ski-Mazing Watersports Finds new Home at Bonnie View Inn

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

Saturday Night Ski Show begins this weekend

Craig Bowker is working with one of his returning water ski students, 10-year-old Serena Davison.

She's been water skiing for several years or so, but hasn't ridden outside the wake.

This is her first lesson of the summer and Craig Bowker, instructor and owner of Ski-Mazing Water Sports here in Haliburton, has cut a deal with his young student.

"If you can go outside the wake on two skis come back, cross the wake on the other side and come back, you'll be ready to try out a wakeboard," says Bowker.

Dad and mom, John and Annette Reynolds, and her brother Narron are all in the boat to watch.

There's a lot at stake, but Serena, who really, really wants to try out a wakeboard this summer, is leery about moving outside the wake; outside of her comfort zone.

Bowker starts her out on two skis on the side boom, which hangs off the boat and allows beginners to come up from a stable position within arm's length of the boat.

After a few successful ups and downs, Bowker takes off the rubber training joiner connecting the skis, and has her set up behind the boat on the long 50 foot tow line.

Bowker slowly lets the powerful ski boat tow her out of the water, and then makes sure that she is set up in the classic position, arms straight, head up and knees slightly bent.

It's all okay, and Bowker asks Serena to sit down.

"Okay, you're ready ... now I want you to go outside the wake and come back," says Bowker. He's met with a pretty staunch refusal from Serena.

More negotiations and some prodding from mom and dad, and then a return to the carrot. The wakeboard lesson.

Reminded that her wakeboard trip hinges upon her crossing both wakes, she gives a heady thumbs up.

Unexplored territory for the young skier and her first attempt over the wake is met with a shimmy of the knees and a fall.

Undaunted, she's back up. She crosses the right wake and then comes back to the middle. She crosses the left wake and comes back. The boat erupts with cheers from mom and dad.

Bolstered by her success, Serena, under gentle guidance from Bowker's hand signals, crosses the wake five or six more times before calling it a day.

At the dockside patio of the Bonnie View Inn, Serena is ecstatic.

"I've never crossed the wake before," she says. Easy-peasey, nice and easy.

Then she takes aim at mom.

"Wakeboard next week ... you promised."

"What have we done?" asks Annette Reynolds.

"Don't worry," smiles Bowker. "She'll be fine."

Bowker and his Ski-Mazing Water Sports operation made the move to the Bonnie View Inn this summer after several years across the lake at the Wigamog Inn.

The Wigamog closed last fall and is supposed to open later this summer, but that was too late for Bowker, who has a longstanding relationship with the Bonnie View owners, Andrea Hagerty and Monte Miscio.

The husband and wife tandem are in their sixth year of



ownership of the Bonnie View (see stories in the Voice and Communicator this week) and Bowker and Hagerty used to teach together at Sir Sam's Ski School.

That simpatico, plus the welcoming atmosphere at the resort allowed for a pretty peaceful and uncomplicated transition from the Wig to the Bonnie.

Of course the weather has been absolutely stunning and Bowker said the early spring gave his school a real jump start into the 2010 season.

"Our opening day at the Bonnie View was on the May long weekend and it was really nice to see the warm weather come so early; it was just fantastic," says Bowker. "People came out to the beach, and people who would not want to get in the water and go skiing or wakeboarding came out a month earlier than they normally would."

Thus far into the season Bowker is not taking anything for granted especially considering the twin abysmal summers that descended upon cottage country in 2008-09.

"It's been good for everybody you really do notice that a light switch turns on as soon as school's out, everybody comes up (to cottage country) but it's the weather that really brings people up here."

He adds that this move to Bonnie View Inn and Resort has been

a win-win for both businesses.

"Wigamog had a long established clientele, and people came there for years, but over the last couple of years they started to decline and I know the invitation was always open here at the Bonnie View," says Bowker. "I talked to Andrea last year and it was just a matter of timing and these guys here (Andrea and Monty) have been really hospitable - they know the hospitality industry and they're interested in seeing skill development and entertainment and the things that we provide."

"And having it all here with the patio atmosphere happening, it's just fantastic," says Bowker. "The beach everything, it's a great package and a great partnership and it's just been awesome working with these people. Andrea and I used to teach at Sir Sam's (Ski Area) together about 20 years ago, so we've known each other a long time and now we're working together, which is just great."

"Andrea and Monte are really upbeat and positive people and good to be around, and it's a nice change."

Asked if he's keeping an eye on Environment Canada's long range crystal ball, Bowker just laughs.

"A forecast in Haliburton is only valid for 24 hours," says Bowker. "There's no such thing as a long range forecast. We've had two years of brutally wet and cool weather and we're due for a nice

one. When

you think about it, people come

to Haliburton they're here for the outdoors.

"For me, this is the seventh year in business and the best summer of all of them was in 2007 because it was sunny every day," says Bowker. "We had six days of sun, a day of cloud and it rained at night."

And be forewarned.

Do not approach Bowker and complain about the heat.

You won't get any sympathy.

Nor should you.

Suck it up peeps!

It's summer in cottage country.

Ski Mazing will be running a Saturday Night Water Spectacular at the Bonnie View Inn from. The patio which usually closes at 5 p/m will be open late for the weekly show.

Give Bowker a call at 457-8359 for ski wakeboard, wake-kite lessons, jet-ski or Banana raft rides, parasailing, or other Watersports activities. Website is at www.skiwakefootschool.com. ■

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Tuesday Night Lights – Kids Just Kickin' it in Haliburton

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Tuesday nights at the Fish Hatchery.

Kinda' channels a title by Franz Kafka.

Not quite that esoteric though.

The Fish Hatchery happens to be the summer home of the Haliburton Soccer Club (haliburtonsoccer.com) and the season opened last Tuesday night.

Successful evening - due in no small part to dedicated parents and coaches who volunteer their time for the budding young footsters.

And, as you can see, the kids were kickin' it old school; bending like Beckham; and havin' some fun.

The club has a new website located at www.haliburtonsoccer.com. For info contact President Amy at 457-4266. ■



Serendipity and the Simple Sumptuous Art of the Grass Roots Petition

Maybe it's time to look seriously at a pool for the county

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

Serendipity.

Finding something when you're looking for something else – or looking for nothing at all.

Important tool in the human history of scientific endeavor – the arts; and life in general.

Moments clamor to mind from my combined 12-years in the post secondary gene pool. (Four universities, one college, three faculties and ... one BA in Poli-Sci – no honors; but a marvelous minor in mind-numbing tangentiality).

Serendipity.

The eureka moment in the lab when an unattended Petri dish led to the discovery of penicillin.

Just another reason to leave those dishes in the sink. You'll know when your kids hit tenth grade when they pop that gem on your plate after Thanksgiving dinner. "But mom, who knows what wonders await ... if we just leave that cranberry sauce on the china for a week or two. What? I'm just tryin' to educate you here mom. Serendipity. Gigantic leap!"

And that other moment in medicine when an alarming fatality rate in a hospital natal and pre-natal care ward was suddenly turned on its ear.

One particular ward – inexplicably - experienced a notable shift downward in infant - and expectant mother – mortality rates.

Quick back-check noted that the OBGYN in charge of that ward had – gasp – been washing his hands between visits to expectant mothers. I know. And ... best just not to ask.

And, of course, we all remember that aha moment in the old B.C. comic strip when protagonist cave man Thor discovered – in the space of 10 frames – that round rocks roll and square rocks don't.

Thor followed that up with a branch through a hole in the middle – and voila! The perfect tool for rolling out chocolate chip cookie dough.

Okay, so later he figured it all out and stumbled upon the world's first unicycle.

Later he learned how to juggle while riding his rolling uni-rock and was signed to a six figure contract with the "Cirque du Neanderthal."

Anyway. Where was I?

Hard work this boggle with ADD, and that ping pong ball bouncing around my synaptic parameters. Me and my shrink are working on just the right mixture of Thorazine and Nembutal. Figure we'll stumble on it one day.

Oh. Right. Serendipity.

Arrived home after soccer on Tuesday night to find my message light blinking.

The all-star game was on the tube and for a moment I considered just ignoring the neon rumble on the handset. Sat down to find another handset blinking.

So I gave in.

On the phone, a very nice couple, fairly new to the area.

They were doing follow-ups on a petition.

A grass roots petition looking at the feasibility of getting a municipal swimming pool into the area.

Long time residents of this burg are already cringing.

And yes, this nice couple is very aware that this issue has been pursued before.

And yes, they also know that each and every time, the pool initiative has been quashed like a bug under the rolling wheel of a Stone Age unicycle.

But, they are moving forward. Undaunted.

So, sound down on the baseball's All-Star Classic – not - I chatted and listened.

This couple moved from Aurora, Ontario.

They are approaching their retirement years, like a lot of people in this area, with a view to remaining planted on this fair hectare for a good long time.

They're not pikers. In fact, the petition they're working on, as part of a newly formed executive, already has 400 signatures - and its growing.

The executive is doing homework, follow-ups and gathering names.

They've done due diligence, followed the research on trending here in the Highlands. Not too long down the road, a large, very large, percentage of this county will be baby-booming their way into a majority.

This couple values a swimming pool. But not just for the rising senior population who could probably benefit the most from a year-round facility. They, like most of us have been hearing about the recent drowning stats. Four fatalities in the last week alone.

See when they lived in Aurora, this couple had a backyard pool and three kids.

Long story short. The siblings started a teaching program for neighborhood kids. They got qualified and it became an entrenched part of their summer regimen. They earned tuition.

More important ... they learned responsibility.

And most notably, they probably saved some lives.

We'll never know.

I just know that I learned to swim at the Ottawa Boys and Girls' Club.

Carried that to a Bronze Lifesaving medallion and a few seasons playing water polo at St. Pius X High School.

I've pulled my drowning cousin out of Lake Manitoba and another family friend out of a lake in the Whithell Provincial Park.

I don't feel helpless in the water. I am comfortable going in with or without a PDF.

It's all down to the availability of municipal pools.

It was a nice conversation, reminding me of the importance of full-shouldered involvement and the power of dreams.

Serendipitous?

I wouldn't hazard.

But I'm going to get involved.

See, I hadn't signed that petition, but someone I know did.

And left my phone number on the form.

Aha. ■



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Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association AGM By Will Jones

"It has been a real juggling act keeping costs and taxes to this level. I do have to add, though, that while in 2008 you were concerned about a deficit, this year we have a \$445,000 surplus, so we are turning things around financially."

Reeve Jim McMahon

As the race towards the local elections heats up, candidates can be found doing the rounds at all of the lake association meetings in their ward. While Canning Lake chose to invite all seven candidates, the Soyers Lake Ratepayers Association chose to go with just two, Barb Reid and Jim McMahon, the big guns battling it out for Reeve of Ward 1.

Reid, first to the stand, outlined her plans as part of the Vision Team and called upon cottagers in particular to vote because she would be the candidate to actively involve stakeholder groups such as them and their associations in her work as Reeve.

Reid outlined the case of Moore Lake, where even though the lake is at development capacity, late last year an application for a zoning change to build more properties was lodged and almost passed by the town planner. "It was only the vigilance of the cottagers of Moore Lake that highlighted the issue to council," she said, "and the motion to approve planning was defeated by just one vote."

On getting his turn to speak, Reeve McMahon referred to the incident at Moore Lake, making it clear that it was he who stood up for cottagers' rights. "I was the one who broke that vote," he countered. "That development application was made by a friend of mine but I had to take into account what was best for the people of Moore Lake and I voted against it."

The increasing tax levee was also a topic Reid wanted to highlight. "Five years ago the tax levee was \$3.9 million; this year it is \$5.2 million, that's an increase of 32%," she said. "And there has been no real change in the services provided."

Reid promised that if she and members of her Vision Team were elected they could bring new rigour to the financial management of Minden Hills. "We can offer budgetary, project and people management. We have the skills set you need to get the best for Minden."

Reeve McMahon had to acknowledge that his challenger's assessment of the tax levee figures was correct but he was quick to point out what Council has been spending Minden Hills residents' money on. "There has been a 32% increase, yes," he said, "but since 2006 the cost of policing has gone up by \$409,000, something we have no control over. Wages and benefits have risen by \$205,000. Our insurance rate has gone up by \$20,000; fuel oil and propane rose by \$20,000; and our building maintenance is costing \$40,000."

Reeve McMahon continued, outlining how Council has lost \$105,000 due to low interest rates and \$67,000 in Ontario Municipal Partnership Funding from the province. However, in the face of this it still has to deliver all of the mandated services.

"So, yes the 32% is right but that's why it's there," he said. "It has been a real juggling act keeping costs and taxes to this level. I do have to add, though, that while in 2008 you were concerned about a deficit, this year we have a \$445,000 surplus, so we are turning things around financially."

Now, when you're told that the guest speaker, who has 45 minutes scheduled on the agenda, is going to talk about septic systems your heart sinks, believe me. However, much to mine and everyone else in the room's relief, Rob Davis of EcoEthic gave a quick fire presentation filled with anecdotes about his daughter and her 17 friends putting, shall we say, undue pressure on the cottage septic; the myths surrounding septic tanks – like drop road kill in your tank each spring to get the thing bubbling; stories of unearthing wooden septic tanks at old cottages; and, jokes about, as he terms it 'the good stuff', which had the room soon laughing uproariously.

Some important information was also divulged, too. Many in the room were surprised to hear the damage that many dishwasher detergents do to the biological process in the septic tank; drain cleaners, too, effectively kill the good microbes in the tank; and, water softeners, a technology close to many a

heart in these hills, also decimate most of the good bacteria whenever they backwash, leaving the septic empty of anything that will digest waste. The answer, it seems, is to 'care for your septic', feeding it regularly with an environmentally friendly additive to ensure all those poop eating microbes are in tip top condition!

Long-time residents of the lake Ross and June Partridge announced that they'll be moving away from the area soon. Ross has been at the forefront of the Soyers Lake environmental team for many years now. It is he, and fellow member Larry Grigg, who regularly sample the lake's water for various chemicals and keep the association up-to-date on lake levels, algae blooms and the status of important local species including the loons.

Ross's almost patriarchal presence at the meeting was underlined by the occasional pointed question to councillors and board members, plus a lengthy report about the environmental status of the lake. His stern mask slipped slightly as he told of his departure and how he'd miss being able to sail the lake, as he's done every summer for many years.

And so, it came as a welcome surprise when SLRA Environmental Consultant David Pengelly stood to make his report but instead gave a speech of thanks to Ross and presented him with a gift for his long service. Pengelly also proposed a Distinguished Environmentalist Award be created and presented on occasion that someone had made an outstanding contribution; the first recipient of course being Ross Partridge.

Ross accepted graciously, and, to his delight the Association then made him and June life members of the SLRA. "So now you can come back and sail as often as you like, Ross," said President Burt Tait.

Tait went on to outline what the association has been doing in the past twelve months. "We have been monitoring the situation regarding the proposed camp on Soyers Creek," he said, "and we'll continue to do so, to best protect the interests of all residents of Soyers Lake." Candidate Reid added that there has been no movement on the proposal for the campground since its proposal was turned down by council.

Noise has also become an issue and Tait asked that anyone holding a party on a pontoon boat be aware of their neighbours and move out to the middle of the lake, especially if they were playing music.

Tait also stated that the SLRA would be discussing joining the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations (CHA) at the next board meeting. He said: "This new organisation is really interesting. It has already done good work and is something we want to be part of. We look forward to becoming a member."

Social events, always an important part of the lake association calendar, are already in full swing at Soyers Lake. The Annual Golf Tournament was held on July 4th. It featured nine foursomes this year and Art Ward's team was triumphant. The Fun will be on August 7th and the ever-popular Corn Roast will be held in the park beside Lake View Cottages on August 21st. This will be when the results of the ongoing Fish Derby will be announced, too.

The meeting, at the Pine Stone Resort, was held on a day when the Highland Games were in town competing for everyone's attention but still there was a healthy attendance. Everyone listened keenly to the candidates for the upcoming election, and, all went away with a smile on their faces thanks to the funniest, and most informative septic guy in Ontario! ■

Summer Winds Concert By Natasha Regehr

The clarinet is a sorely misunderstood and underappreciated instrument. It's the stereotypical "squeaker" of well-intentioned junior high concerts, played by beginners with braces on their teeth and reeds that are always chipped. Eventually these awkward instruments develop into objects that really don't sound so bad after all, but even in their most acceptable moments, they really have no glamour. The big, brassy instruments get all the kudos; after all, who leaves a concert exclaiming, "Wow! Did you hear that clarinet?"

I do, that's who. . . and it happened this Monday night at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion, when the Summer Wind Woodwind Quintet brought the sound of classical, instrumental music to the Highlands Summer Festival. The event was organized by Haliburton Highlands Secondary School music teacher Tom Regina. Regina was one of 25 founding members of the Festival eleven years ago, bringing to the group a desire to provide an opportunity for musicians to play classical chamber music in Haliburton. Since then his involvement has expanded to include vocal roles in the Festival's many dramas, but this year he decided to pull together a group of musicians to create a woodwind quintet. Preparations for the concert began last fall, with rehearsals beginning in May with teachers Leah Bell (French horn) and Scott Wight (clarinet), as well as arts manager Tori Owen (oboe) and world-renowned bassoon-maker Ben Bell. Each of these performers are accomplished musicians with experience performing locally, in the Peterborough Symphony Orchestra, and in various locations across the country.

The group performed selections by Grieg, Piazzolla, Faure, Chabrier, Ravel, and Gershwin, taking listeners through three continents and two centuries in a pleasant hour and a half. They opened with a suite of four pieces from Edvard Grieg's music for the Ibsen's Norwegian play, "Peer Gynt." Tom Regina laughingly introduced these pieces as tunes that everyone knows from old Bugs Bunny cartoons, particularly the idyllic "Morning" melody that describes the peaceful, unfolding awakening of a sunny dawn. Much darker in tone was the sorrowful lament about the death of the character Aase, followed by the lively Anitra's Dance. A favourite of the audience was the tongue-in-cheek depiction of the snowballing adventures encountered in the Hall of the mythical Mountain King, a troll presiding over the bowels of the gloomy Scandanavian hills.

The second number performed by the group was Piazzolla's "Milonga Sin Palabras," or "Song Without Words." This piece was haunting, visceral, and wonderfully sensuous, and the ensemble brought the Argentinian composer's emotive sense to the audience stunningly and wholeheartedly.

After this passionate offering came a return to Europe for Gabriel Faure's "Dolly Suite." The quintet played three of the six pieces, which were originally composed for piano. The rocking "Berceuse," the frolicking cat's "Mi-a-ou," and the Spanish "Pas Espagnol" brought the audience back to the lighthearted candor of childhood; there were audible chuckles as the piece closed, taking us "trippingly off to intermission," just as Regina had predicted.

The concert resumed with Emmanuel Chabrier's "Espana Rhapsody," which Regina described as an extravagant, free-flowing, irregular piece of music, originally scored for full orchestra. The audience received the selection as a playful scherzo, and was once again charmed by the group's bantering musical exchanges.

The French frivolity continued with a magical performance of Ravel's "Mother Goose Suite," the European Disney of one hundred years ago. We met Sleeping "Belle," the Empress "Laideronette," and Beauty and the Beast in the "Enchanted Garden" of fairy tale lore, expressed once again with all the innocent drama of a child's fantasy story.

In the final excursion, we were flown to America for a little bit of Gershwin, in an "elusive jazz" experience that Regina explained was in fact neither classical nor jazz in the strict sense, but "just good music." The Three Preludes are standard fair for contemporary pianists, and were presented by this quintet in a style that sometimes felt more "rhapsodic" and "irregular" than Emmanuel Chabrier's Spanish Rhapsody. The rhythmic vitality was palpable and direct, causing the audience to respond once again with tittering pleasure.

The group's unexpected encore was an arrangement of Scott Joplin's "Maple Leaf Rag," which audience members were later heard to describe as both "super" and "cool." The crowd left the auditorium laughing and commenting on the "nice variety" of selections that the quintet had played, as they exited into an appropriately summery evening in cottage country.

I'm not sure how many of these satisfied concert-goers went home discussing the merits and qualities of each particular instrument; but here I must confess that, being both a musician and a teacher, I couldn't help but subject my guest to an unrequested list of comparisons and contrasts as we drove home. Like people, you see, each instrument is unique, and, like people, each instrument comes with a reputation. Trumpets are brilliant and showy. Violins are classier; cellos are classier. Harps are angelic, saxophones are showstoppers, kettledrums are powermongers, and tubas are, well, tubas. You get the idea.

The instruments of the classical woodwind quintet are no exception. The bassoon, for instance, is typically referred to as the "clown of the orchestra" for its punchy, comical sound – and the clown hat certainly



Summer Wind performers, top row, from the left, Scott Wight, clarinet, Ben Bell, bassoon, Tom Regina, flute. Bottom Row, Leah Bell, French horn, and Tori Owen, oboe.

came out from time to time. But this bassoon brought other hats to wear as well. This bassoon was the picture of reliability. It was always there when we needed it, grounding the group with its precise rhythms and its ability to somehow adapt itself to any style. I wouldn't have thought of the bassoon as a jazz instrument, but it managed the job admirably when the Gershwin Preludes came along. Even more impressive was the unexpected sensitivity displayed in some of the more brooding pieces, such as the mournful "Aase's Death."

The flute, on the other hand, has a reputation for being flighty, fidgety, and – dare I say? – girly. But this flute was not the shrill recorder-gone-mad of elementary school, nor the airy-fairy pop-bottle-pipe of middle school. This flute was alternately songful,

Buddy Holly Lives at the Pinestone – Some Nice Riffs for Some Great Crowds

By Seamus O'Bradaigh

Two shows play to packed appreciative audiences on Friday, Saturday

Almost everything about the life and death of Buddy Holly radiates with an eerily reverberating echo.

Like a Stratocaster on wah, with a saturated tremble of tremolo.

Holly formed an iconic presence, whose short life belied a truly remarkable run of solid rock, n' roll epics.

The rise from the relative obscurity of Lubbock, Texas.

His death, at 22, immortalized as "The Day the Music Died" by fellow traveler Don McLean.

When it all went sideways the world stood still, for just a few seconds.

Contemplating the significant loss of one, two, three musicians.

One, two, three ... the stage whisper intro to the rock and roll song.

A cold snowy night, small aircraft, and fate's fickle fracas took Holly, Ritchie Valens, J.P. (The Big Bopper) Richardson and a pilot Roger Peterson down into an unfriendly Iowa field on their way to the next gig in Moorhead, Minnesota.

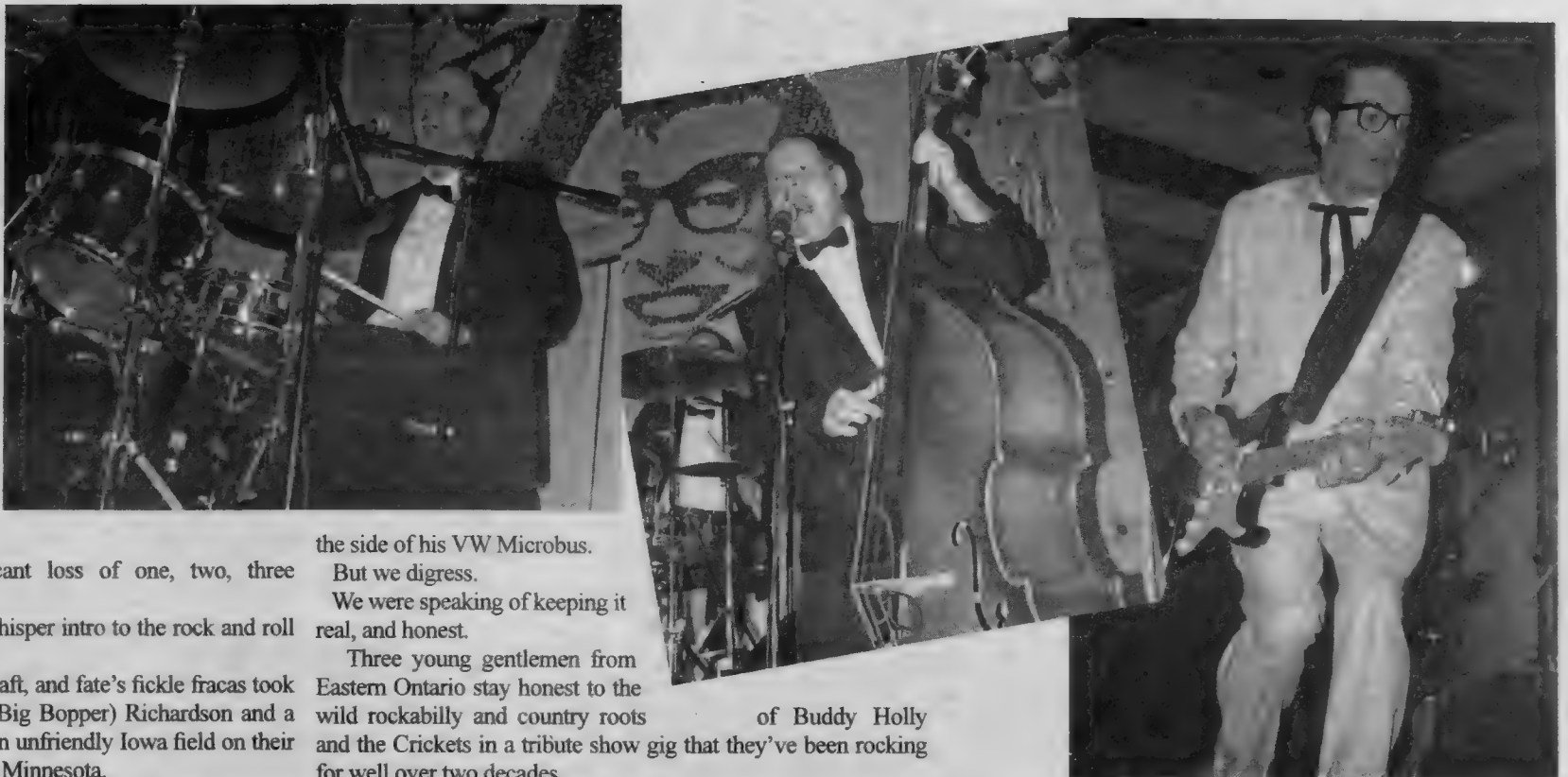
A 17-year-old Bob Dylan, a Minnesota kid from Hibbing, attended their show, two nights before Holly's death. Dylan made reference to this in his 1998 Grammy acceptance speech for his Time out of Mind being named Album of the Year:

"And I just want to say that when I was sixteen or seventeen years old, I went to see Buddy Holly play at Duluth National Guard Armory and I was three feet away from him ... and he looked at me. And I just have some sort of feeling that he was — I don't know how or why — but I know he was with us all the time we were making this record in some kind of way."

In a 1978 Rolling Stone interview The Boss Bruce Springsteen said, "I play Buddy Holly every night before I go on; that keeps me honest."

Grateful Dead covered Not Fade Away 530 times during their career. The fact that this is documented at all is eerie in itself.

Imagine, a statistician stoner, in a vacuous peyote-soaked haze, with a black and white picture of Jerry Garcia and Buddy Holly on



the side of his VW Microbus.

But we digress.

We were speaking of keeping it real, and honest.

Three young gentlemen from Eastern Ontario stay honest to the wild rockabilly and country roots and the Crickets in a tribute show gig that they've been rocking for well over two decades.

They bused in from Kingston to the Pinestone Resort last Friday for a twin bill (Friday and Saturday) of their popular tribute show called "Buddy Holly Lives."

Friday night the Pinestone ball room was sold out and rockin'.

Locals, tourists, visitors and guests came to remember and some possibly to forget.

Demographic?

Older and hip.

Okay, some might be on their second hip (I'm due for replacement next year) but that didn't stop them from clapping, stomping and offering a few standing ovations for Buddy, JI and Joe B throughout the course of their solid two act performance. The Crickets ruled at the Pinestone last weekend.

Buddy Holly began his legacy as the father of rock n' roll after enlisting the help of Joe B. Mauldin (stand-up Bass) and Jerry Allison (drums), two of his high school chums. In only 22 months Buddy and the Crickets had 9 top 10 hits on Billboard's Top 100.

And 22 months. That's all they had before the music died.

It's been said that Buddy Holly did more to influence modern music than any other person in the history of rock n' roll.

Some of us forget.

We were all reminded last Friday evening as three guys from Kingston rolled out the carpet, the beat and those enduring songs.

Songs that hearkened the birth of a genre.

A niche for a legion of others to follow.

The Buddy Holly Lives trio are professional musicians with diverse experience, and a polished sound they've been playing for various parties, dances and fund raisers for over 25 years.

Accomplished musicians David Bull (Buddy), Marty Crapper (Joe B) and Stuart Pike (JI) are all from Ontario and reside in the Greater Kingston area.

They come on stage in costume, and in character, and they deliver the goods.

They stay true to Holly's style. Bull cranks out some awesome solos, and Pike, who plays drums in numerous bands in the Kingston area, raps out a strong, solid, strictly rock backbeat.

Crapper, you may be interested to know, is actually a direct

descendent

of Thomas Crapper, British inventor of the flush toilet.

Crapper jumps around the stage with little respect for his big stand-up bass and continually sucked on a big jug of ersatz moonshine — white lightning — while sharing story lines with Bull and Pike, inserting little snippets from the life and times of the group through the performance.

They play Holly, but they also trace Holly's rockabilly and country roots with selections from Eddie Cochran, Carl Perkins, Ritchie Valens, Elvis Presley, Chuck Berry and other notable founders of true rockabilly.

They bring it all, including Texas drawl to their encompassing stage performance.

When they come to that part about the snowstorm, that night, the tragic flight in that plane called "American Pie" it's done with Buddy standing stage left, back to the crowd.

It's a walk backward to the fifties.

An exceptional show.

Perhaps most enlightening because of its honest traipse to that special niche of that rockabilly rhythm and how it melted fluidly and eloquently into an iconic age that has yet to dissipate.

John Bull plays that ace when he switches from raspy Fender Tele to a hollow-body Gretsch.

For a moment we are aware of the tremendous range of that marvelous genre — which some say evolved from the gyrating hips of Elvis and the wonderful antics of Little Richard.

We know better.

The roots can be traced from the vibrant life and eerie death of one Buddy Holly.

Peggy Sue, Rave On, Not fade Away and That'll be the Day.

Like the song says.

If there's a rock n'roll heaven ... well you know they got a hell of a band.

Buddy Holly Lives received the nod and two thumbs from an appreciative crowd last weekend.

Nice start to a great two months of entertainment in the Highlands this summer. ■

Summer Winds cont'd...from page 22

playful, glittering, and mysterious. The dark, melancholic low notes at the beginning of Piazzolla's "Song Without Words" opened into a lovely unison melody with the oboe, supported by the evolving, undulating accompaniment of the other players; the effect was gorgeously romantic.

Then there is the kingpin of the woodwind quintet, seated on the throne at the centre of the horseshoe, enjoying the special status of being the only brass instrument allowed entrance to the group. French horn players always look very important, twirling their instruments around in their hands like some kind of golden, intestinal crown (releasing, incidentally, what they would have us believe to be "condensation"); but this horn brought Ravel's "Sleeping Beauty in the Wood" to life with mellow, subdued tones, and then treated the "Empress of the Pagodas" to a graceful melody all her own.

The oboe, in contrast, is known as the orchestra's living, breathing mechanical tuner; it is that prestigious instrument that all the clarinet players wish they could play when they find out they can't play the saxophone. This oboe, however, was exquisite in its own right. Its plaintive melodies were unfailingly expressive, and the sustained notes were beautifully controlled, ending with the perfect touch of vibrato. The instrument spoke just as its player intended it to; you could tell by the ease with which each musical thought was completed.

But it was the poor, unassuming clarinet that took my breath away. Simple, one-bar phrases were picked up and set down gently and lovingly, rising and falling with a sense of meaning in every note. At times it merged with the cooing of the flute or the hovering of the horn; at other times, it matched the intensity of the oboe or the cockiness of the bassoon. It was like a conjurer, able to trick the listener into thinking it was anything at all. It was not until the end of the concert, however, that it was deliberately highlighted, and I had to wonder why the world had to wait so long for a little bit of jazz to make that happen.

Thank-you, Summer Wind, for departing from your usual roles as orchestral musicians, and for gathering in tiny Haliburton to charm us with your talents. You had the audience murmuring approvingly and giggling delightedly with your many musical surprises — the most revealing of which being the happy recognition that the humble clarinet has a personality after all. ■

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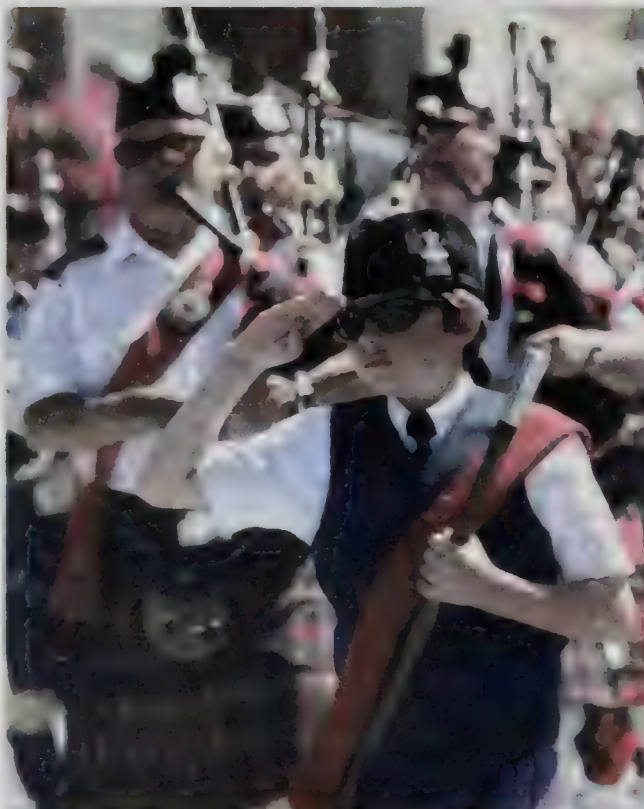
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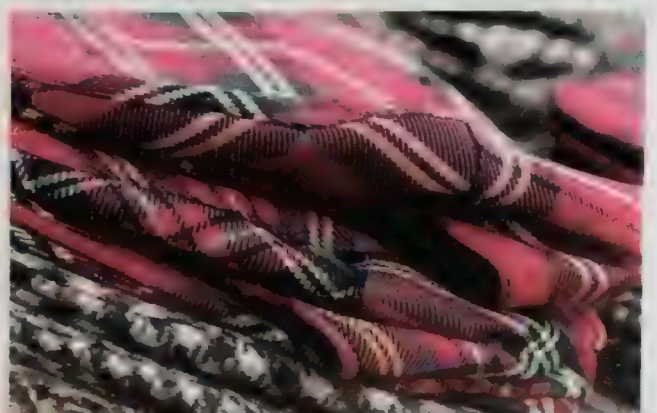
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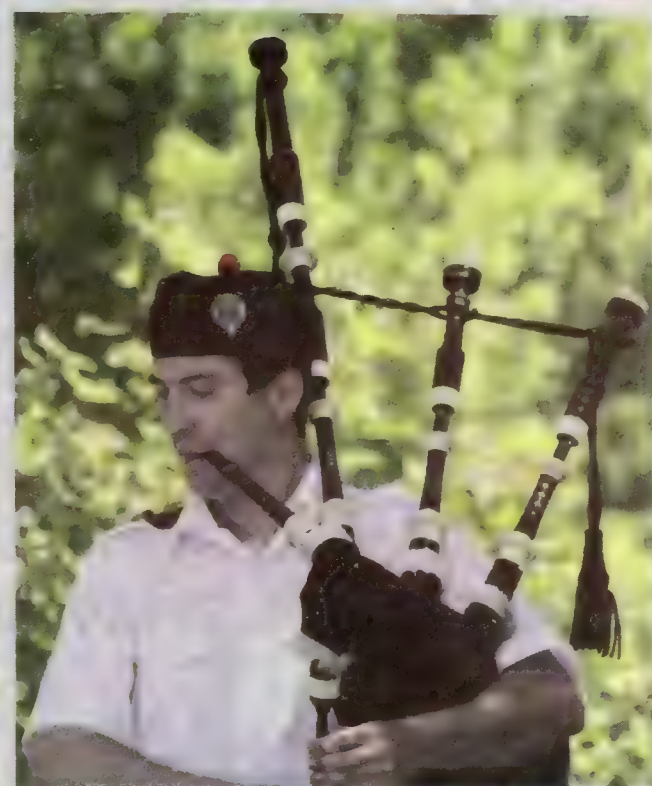


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The 22nd annual Haliburton Highland Games were celebrated at Head Lake Park under beautiful sunny skies this past Saturday. People lined the main street to cheer on the eight pipes and drums bands as they led the way into the park. The White Heather Pipes Band out of Aurora, Ontario, was presented the Band of the Day Award.

Shona and Ian Talbot, having taken the reins from Shona's parents Sylvia and Larry Forster, entertained the crowds along with their Border Collies Maeve, Mae, Caber and Don. After the main sheep herding demonstration, which is always popular, the Talbots continued with a rather unique and hilarious demonstration of duck herding for anyone who made it across the small bridge to their trailer site. Ducks maneuvering through an agility course is something not often seen in Haliburton County.

Highland dancers from around the province performed almost non-stop throughout the day. The traditional Highland Fling, Sword Dance, Seann Truibhas, Scottish Lilt and Irish Jig, along with a variety of competitions kept spectators entertained. Winners were:

Beginner/Novice Dancer of the Day: (Tie) Rosemarie Shepard from Toronto and Janelle Wilson-Leung from Lindsay.

Intermediate Dancer of the Day: Natasha Reesor from Uxbridge.

Premier Dancer of the Day: (Tie) Jamie Conrick from Holland Landing and Shawna O'Neill from Cornwall.

Haliburton Dancer of the Day: Rachel Burk.

New this year was an OPP canine demonstration that gave visitors a glimpse at how police dogs are trained and utilized within the OPP family. Officers and handlers Don Shearer of Peterborough and Ezra Zugehoer of Bracebridge, both from the Central Region Canine Unit, explained and demonstrated drug detection and suspect apprehension during the twenty-minute presentation. Local officer, and member of the emergency response team, Dan Collings had the honour of being the canine's victim during the apprehension scenario.

"Put up your hand if you have illegal drugs in your pocket", Shearer called out to the crowd. Needless to say, there weren't any hands raised. With a bag of marijuana hidden in a boot that was placed among a pile of kids' running shoes, Shearer's canine partner very quickly demonstrated his job skills. The unit began in 1965 with 3 handlers and now consists of 28. In addition to drug searches and suspect apprehension, the canine OPP members are invaluable at locating bombs, weapons and bodies along with performing standard search and rescue operations.

The heavy events date back to the 11th century when contests were used to determine which clansmen would become bodyguards based on strength, and messengers as determined by speed. Originally, everyday-objects such as heavy stones, blacksmith's hammers, block weights and logs were used to test strength. Today the games are a way of celebrating Scottish culture and customs, although you certainly don't have to be Scottish to enjoy the revelry. It's always fun to see the guys in kilts throwing and putting massively heavy objects, and Saturday was no exception. Unless one is capable of throwing a 21-foot, 110-lb. log with accuracy, it's probably best to refrain from the "guys in kilts" quips. Markus Wand won the overall athlete of the day award, while Neil Lowry took the caber tossing championship.

According to Highland Games chairman, Jim Frost, attendance was excellent this year. "It was great", he said, "over 2000 people attended". Admission fees ensure that expenses can be paid and planning for next year can go forward. Given its 22-year track record, the Haliburton Highland Games is one of the most successful events of its kind in Ontario. ■



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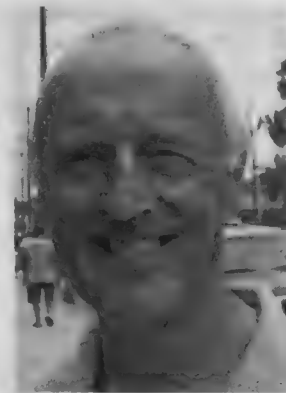
Question:

With all the weather extremes we've been experiencing lately, such as heat waves, torrential rain and flooding in the county, do you feel it has to do with Global Warming or is it just another strange Haliburton summer?



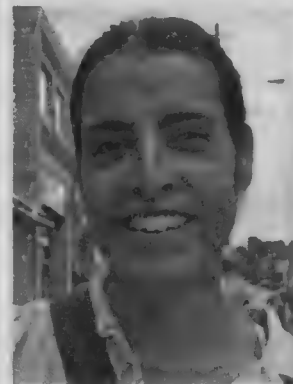
Julie Tieman, Aurora

"I think it's just freak weather, but I do believe that Global Warming is happening too. I can remember summers 20 years ago when it would be hot and dry the whole summer. Like the year my daughter was born, in 1988, it was hot and dry from May right through until October or November."



Michael Letki, Toronto

"I think that it's just regular fluctuations in the weather, but it's a tough question. In general, there are more extreme fluctuations now with Global Warming, such as hotter, drier times along with colder weather at some points too. We do seem to get more high winds and crazy weather here in Haliburton though, and I just don't know why."



**Sarah McComb,
Toronto**

"I think it's an awesome summer! I've been spending time up here since I was six years old, and many summers I don't get into the water until August. So, this summer is great, and I'm glad to be experiencing it! Whether or not this weather has to do with Global Warming, I don't know."



Stuart Saville, Port Credit

"No, I don't think it's Global Warming. I think it's just a cycle with the weather. We have five and seven year cycles with all sorts of things, like weather, and animals and some caterpillars. Maybe it's all just part of the Master Plan for Haliburton. I'm with my family at YMCA Wanakita and we're having a great time there, regardless."



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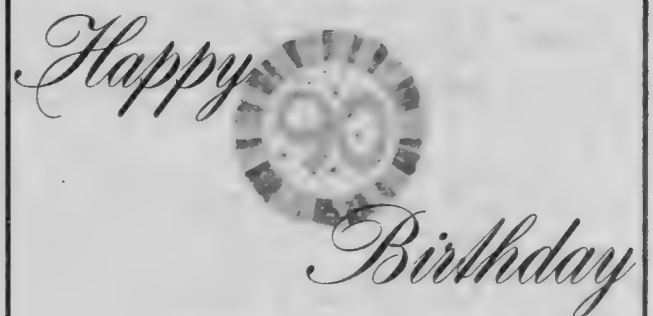
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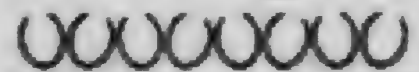


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ACROSS

- 1 Yankee Jorge
- 7 Pool shot
- 12 Dictates
- 16 Make cheddar better
- 19 Diverted
- 20 Cara or Castle
- 21 Tennis pro Nastase
- 22 New Deal agcy.
- 23 SLOT MACHINES
- 25 Traces
- 27 Paleozoic
- 28 Aye opponent
- 29 Remove
- 31 Artist Mondrian
- 32 Prepare pancakes
- 34 Sewed a toe
- 37 Ruhr Valley city
- 39 Victorian ornaments
- 42 Capitol gang?
- 43 Loyal
- 44 Maine town
- 45 HMS PINAFORE
- 47 Drill sergeant's shout
- 50 "O Sole —"
- 51 Advantage
- 53 Drainpipe part

- 54 New Haven collegian
- 55 Prohibits
- 57 Coup d'—
- 58 Opening remark?
- 61 Automaton
- 63 Halloween decoration
- 65 Content completely
- 66 Let out the lava
- 67 Comic Laurel
- 68 DORMITORY
- 72 Philosopher
- 73 Got
- 74 wind of
- 75 Commanded
- 77 Concur
- 78 Condescend
- 80 Finish filming
- 81 "Good gracious!"
- 84 Woody herb
- 85 Fiber source
- 87 Connected
- 89 "— pro nobis"
- 90 Part of MPH
- 91 ENDEARMENTS
- 95 Snowy fisherman
- 97 — vu
- 98 Stilted

- 99 Singer Stratas
- 100 Garden tool
- 102 Last name in fashion
- 103 Act catty?
- 104 Put on a happy face
- 105 Hold fast
- 107 Clerical garb
- 108 Luau neckwear
- 111 Siberian monk
- 113 THE MORSE CODE
- 119 Qty.
- 120 Golfer Ballesteros
- 121 A great composer?
- 122 Lacking principles
- 123 Salon supply
- 124 Paradise
- 125 TV exec Arledge
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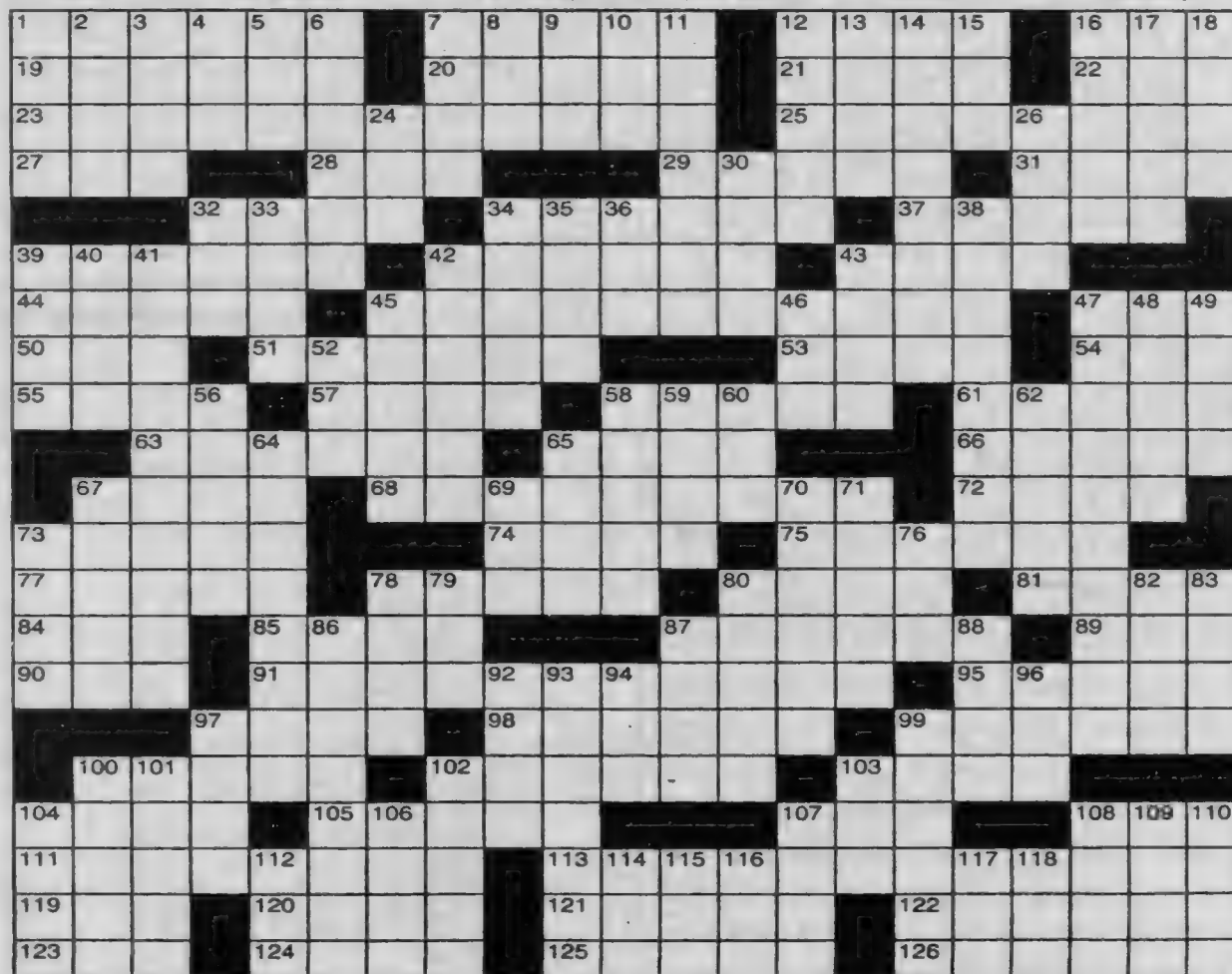
DOWN

- 1 Wear out the carpet
- 2 Actor Epps
- 3 Iranian city
- 4 Timber tree
- 5 Tierra — Fuego
- 6 Classical hunk?
- 7 "— Slickers" ('91 film)

- 8 White House spokesman Fleischer
- 9 Stimp's pal
- 10 "Johnny — Note" ('37 song)
- 11 Keepsake
- 12 Enraged
- 13 One of the Waughs
- 14 Showy shrub
- 15 Jell
- 16 Actress Harmon
- 17 Word with tea or pepper
- 18 — India Company
- 24 Fool
- 26 "— dixit"
- 30 Swerve
- 32 Marsh
- 33 Crochet unit
- 34 Resign
- 35 Without — (daringly)
- 36 Brit. fliers
- 38 Hold back
- 39 Fowl feature
- 40 "Turandot" tune
- 41 ASTRONOMER
- 42 Pay hike?
- 43 "Comin' — the Rye"
- 45 Prominent
- 46 Missouri airport abbr.

- 47 GEORGE BUSH
- 48 Take the honey and run
- 49 See 104 Down
- 52 Chianti color
- 56 Show mercy
- 58 "Surprise Symphony" composer
- 59 Raison d'—
- 60 August one?
- 62 Spout like Cicero
- 64 Beholden
- 65 Forest father
- 67 Smooth transition
- 69 Slugger's stat
- 70 Edmond of "The Barefoot Contessa"
- 71 Capital
- 73 — seal
- 76 "Tarzan" extra
- 78 Actor Ashbrook
- 79 Complete Lawrence's "— in Love"
- 82 Olympic warmonger
- 83 Base stuff?
- 86 Tossed aside

- 87 Jewelry material
- 88 "The — Hunter" ('78 film)
- 92 Actor McGregor
- 93 More turbulent
- 94 Scand. nation
- 96 Weimar-ran's warning
- 97 Clammy
- 99 Abolitionist Harriet
- 100 Disreputable
- 101 Ersatz emerald
- 102 It may suit you
- 103 Arafat's grp.
- 104 With 49 Down, "Spy Game" star
- 106 Reside
- 107 43,560 square feet
- 108 Feudal superior
- 109 List ender
- 110 Vacation location
- 112 Manipulate
- 114 Ike's domain
- 115 Sweater letter
- 116 Sundown, to Shelley
- 117 Comic Philips
- 118 TV's "Scooby- —"



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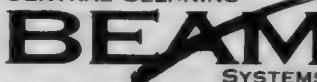
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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: My husband started exercising, is now on a strict diet and listening to love songs from the '60s. He has never been interested in these things before.

I overheard him on the phone talking about going to his high school reunion this summer, 400 miles away. When I asked him why he hadn't mentioned it to me, he said it's because I'm not invited. I was shocked. Then he said he's going with three of his old "buddies." I asked if their wives were going and he said, "No, they're divorced, but have girlfriends."

My husband is now giving me the silent treatment. He has a history of keeping things from me, but never anything like this. This is his 50th reunion, and the first one he has ever wanted to go to. I'm sick about it. What do you make of all this? -- HEARTSICK IN OREGON

DEAR HEARTSICK: I make of it that you don't trust your husband because he tries to sneak things past you and wasn't upfront about this from the beginning. If he had said he was planning to attend, and that he and three of his old buddies wanted to pretend they were teenagers again, you might have felt differently. Because he didn't, I can see why you would find the situation threatening.

Since you seem to have trouble communicating your feelings to each other, some sessions with a marriage counselor might help you reach a better understanding.

P.S. While he's gone, arrange to do something fun with some of your women friends. A girls' weekend might be a pleasant diversion, and at this point you need one.

DEAR ABBY: I left my wife for a much younger woman two years ago. Despite what my ex-wife says, it was not a mid-life crisis. I was very unhappy with my wife and our marriage. Our divorce has been final for seven months -- although I'm beginning to wonder if it will ever truly be "final."

My girlfriend, "Nicole," is anxious for us to be married and start building a life together. I'm still overwhelmed from how unbelievably painful the whole divorce process has been, and I can't begin to think about getting married again at the moment.

I have told Nicole that I'm not ready and I need some time. She says I'm "stringing her along," and even though she doesn't want to have kids, she still feels her clock is ticking for finding an acceptable mate. It has reached the point where Nicole says she is going to leave me if I don't commit to marrying her.

What is a reasonable time to expect someone to recover and be emotionally ready to remarry after an extremely bitter divorce? And what do you suggest? -- STILL HEALING IN WASHINGTON

DEAR STILL HEALING: Some people are ready to remarry within months of a divorce. For others, the healing process can take years. I suggest you call Nicole's bluff. She is anxious because she is beginning to doubt that she'll get you to the altar -- and the "biological clock" business she's handing you is ridiculous in light of the fact that she doesn't want children.

The feelings you are experiencing are normal after a bitter divorce. Please do not allow yourself to be stampeded. When the time is right for you to remarry, you will know it without my telling you.

Horoscopes

It's in the Stars

BORN THIS WEEK: Meeting new people usually means you're making new friends. People want to be reflected in your shining light.

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A bit of Arian contrariness could be keeping you from getting all the facts. Turn it off, and tune in to what you need to hear. It could make all the difference this week.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Getting an answer to a vital question involving financial matters might take longer than you'd expected. A new factor might have to be dealt with before anything can move forward. Be patient.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Use your good sense to see what might really be driving a colleague's workplace agenda. What you learn could lead to a new way of handling some old problems.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A change of mind might once again turn out to be a good thing. True, most of your co-workers might not like the delay, but as before, they might appreciate what follows from it.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You revel in golden opportunities this week. One cautionary note, though: Be careful to separate the gold from the glitter before you make a choice. Someone you trust can help.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Marriage is important this week, as are other partnerships. Don't let yourself be overwhelmed by sentiment. Instead, try to steer a path between emotion and common sense.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Dealing with someone who has let you down is never easy. But the sooner you're able to clear up this problem, the sooner other problems can be successfully handled.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A "friend" who is willing to bend the rules to gain an advantage for both of you is no friend. Reject the offer and stay on your usual straight and narrow path.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) After all the effort you've been putting in both on the job and for friends and family, it's a good time to indulge your own needs. The weekend could bring a pleasant surprise.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) You might want to do something new this weekend. Close your eyes and imagine what it could be, and then do it, or come up with the closest practical alternative.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Your good deeds bring you the appreciation you so well deserve. But, once again, be careful of those who might want to exploit your generous nature for their own purposes.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Trolling for compliments isn't necessary. You earned them, and you'll get them. Concentrate this week on moving ahead into the next phase of your program.

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Each answer consists of two four-letter words that combine to make either a phrase or a compound word. Initials are provided. (e.g., A sudden large increase in the birthrate. (B. B.) Answer: Baby boom.)

FRESHMAN LEVEL

1. The center of a city. (D. T.)

Answer _____

2. Respect for the rules or equal treatment of all concerned. (F. P.)

Answer _____

3. A female prostitute who can be hired by telephone. (C. G.)

Answer _____

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4. One who does not pay his debts. (D. B.)

Answer _____

5. Money readily at hand. (C. C.)

Answer _____

6. Extremely easy. (C. W.)

PH.D. LEVEL

7. Disinclined to work or exertion. (B. L.)

Answer _____

8. Exert full strength. (B. D.)

Answer _____

9. The action of getting rid of someone who is not wanted. (B. R.)

Answer _____

ANSWERS: 1. Downtown. 2. Fair play. 3. Call girl. 4. Deadbeat. 5. Cold Cash. 6. Cakewalk. 7. Bone lazy. 8. Bear down. 9. Bum's rush.

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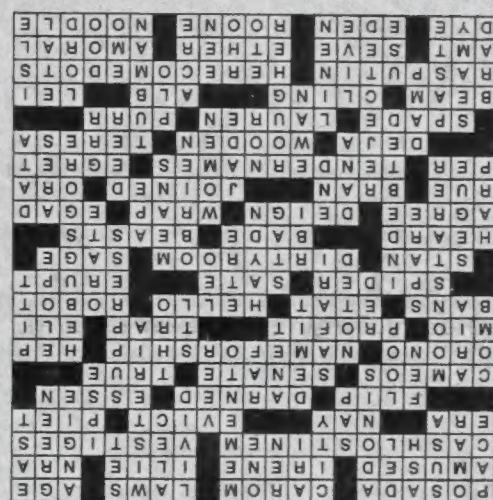
18 points -- congratulations, doctor; 15 to 17 points -- honors graduate; 10 to 14 points -- you're plenty smart, but no grind; 4 to 9 points -- you really should hit the books harder; 1 point to 3 points -- enroll in remedial courses immediately; 0 points -- who reads the questions to you?

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Volunteers Help Out At Highland Wood

By Courtney Griffin



Residents at Highland Wood, Haliburton's long term care facility, spend most of their time in the building and eat all of their meals, morning, noon and evening, in the dining room. After a while, the pale pink colour of the room was more than a little boring, and a request was made to have the room painted.

In order for the dining room at Highland Wood get a colour change, funds were needed for materials and painters. The process for such a job is not quick; the auxiliary raises money for the hospital, the hospital draws up a 'wish list' of things that they would like to buy or to change, and the auxiliary must approve the wishes prior to starting any purchases.

Highland Wood had an appraisal done on the dining room for how much it would cost to have it painted; the auxiliary was stunned when the number they received back was \$6500. Six thousand, five hundred dollars for a paint job? The auxiliary took a step back and reconsidered, which is when Auxiliary Vice President Tracey Lear spoke up and suggested that they paint it themselves.

Well now, what an idea! Volunteers were recruited for the job, and the auxiliary supplied the money to purchase materials. The residents of Highland Wood were able to choose the colour that they preferred, and also chose new fabrics for curtains; the gentlemen residents politely requested that no floral patterns were chosen for the new curtains.

Five dedicated volunteers are painting the dining room in the colour the residents chose, while also making new curtains from the non-flowery fabric. Tracey Lear and husband Dave Lear, Donna McKay, Irene Houthby and Chalene Smith are working hard and hope to have the room painted and presentable in just two days. Best of luck! (the Voice will have a picture of the completed project in next week's issue.) ■

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6pm - Alex Gouthro: Understanding The Challenges of Bowhunting Moose
7pm - Steve Galea: Where to go, how to find birds, specialized gear, dogs, fishing and more

Saturday July 17

All Day - Big Buck Show - Bring in your Deer, Moose Racks, Bear Skulls, and have them measured by official FROW, Boone & Crockett and Pope & Young Measurers. Register by noon!
10am - Bruce Schneller: The "BEST Method" to prepare for Bowhunting - shooting form and technique
11am - Alex Gouthro: Understanding the Moose Rut & Passive Calling Techniques
12noon - Rocky Crawford: Haliburton Smallmouth - How, When, and Why
1pm - Alex Gouthro: Aggressive Calling Techniques & Handling Bull Moose Responses
2pm - Kid's Duck, Moose, and Turkey Calling Contest - Register online or before noon on Saturday
3pm - Adrian Hare: Tips and strategies on fall turkey hunting, including the calls we need to use that will outsmart the hardest game bird there is to harvest
4pm - Steve Galea: Where to go, how to find birds, specialized gear, dogs, fishing and more
5pm - Peter Wood: Five Essential Ways to Keep Whitetail Deer On Your Property

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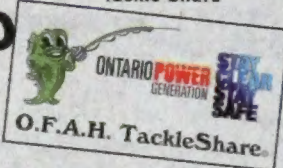
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